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Fahd attends graduation of National Guard group

RIYADH, Dec. 20 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd presided over the graduation ceremony of the 3rd Joint Armed Division of the Kingdom's National Guard in Khashm Al-An Wednesday.

The crown prince, who was accompanied by Riyadh Governor Prince Sulman, was received on arrival by Prince

Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard and a number of Guard officials.

In a welcoming speech, division commander Capt. Suleiman Al-Zu'air, lauded government efforts in developing the National Guard and raising the standard of its personnel from all aspects.

Capt. Zu'air's speech was followed by a military parade by members of the division.

After the ceremony, Prince

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REVIEW GUARDS: Crown Prince Fahd and Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah during Wednesday's Guards graduation ceremony.



RIYADH, Dec. 20 (SPA) — King Khaled received Chinese Minister of Communications Chen Chu-shi at the royal palace here Wednesday.

Present at the audience were Dr. Rashad Pharaon, the King's special adviser and Sheikh Hussein Mansouri, minister of communications.

Later in the day, the Chinese minister conferred with Dr. Ibrahim Obaid, PTT undersecretary for telegraph affairs, on ways of reinforcing cooperation in telecommunications.

Carter appeared to turn his attention to the opening of relations with China and a crucial round of talks with the Soviet Union on strategic arms limitation.

Most observers had expected a cooling-off period of several weeks before Washington tried to get Israel and Egypt talking again.

The last real negotiations between the countries were held in Washington and ended in mid-November. U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance made a swing through the Middle East a week ago but found the two sides unable to agree — stuck, basically, on whether their treaty should be linked to progress toward a solution of the Palestinian issue.

As Vance's mission failed, the two countries missed the Dec. 17 deadline for signing a peace treaty, and President Carter appeared to turn his attention to the opening of relations with China and a crucial round of talks with the Soviet Union on strategic arms limitation.

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The defense ministry official said the beginning of evacuation ahead of time was designed to enable the army to meet the three-month deadline, once peace was reached.

The official said, however, work was continuing on new military sites in Israel's southern Negev Desert where the country's army will be deployed when peace is secured.

Meanwhile, the Israeli "Peace Now" Movement is planning to hold a series of demonstrations urging the government to adopt more moderate positions in peace negotiations and to give up any claims to the West Bank.

Peace now leaders told a news conference Wednesday that the government's policy was destroying Israel's credibility in Egyptian eyes.

The movement gained widespread support before the Camp David accords were signed in its campaign against the hard-line attitudes toward Middle East peace originally adopted by Begin.

Vzali Reshef, spokesman for the group told reporters the group does not think Israel should give in to the latest demands from Egypt, but it should declare its readiness to reach a settlement on issues beyond the bilateral treaty with Egypt.

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PLO vows revenge

Israel raids refugee camps

BEIRUT, Dec. 20 (Agencies) — Waves of Israeli warplanes attacked Palestinian refugee camps in South Lebanon Wednesday and the Palestinian high command vowed swift revenge.

A communiqué said two civilians were killed and 11 wounded in the 40-minute strikes at two refugee camps and a civilian village along an 18-mile stretch of South Lebanon's coastal highway.

The communiqué identified the targets as the refugee

camp of Bourj el Shimali and the Wasta Refugee Camp at Qassimiyeh on the eastern and northern outskirts of the port of Tyre, 50 miles south of Beirut.

The third target was identified as the civilian village of Dahr el Bourj, seven miles south east of Sidon, midway between Tyre and Beirut.

"Eight enemy jets participated in the criminal attack against all three civilian targets, killing one Palestinian woman and one man and wounding 11, including a

child," the communiqué said.

The communiqué ridiculed Israel's claim that the raid was a retaliation for 14 Palestinian

commando positions near the town of Sarafand.

About 12 miles (20 km) to the north of the city.

"Certainly we have casualties," he said. "They're not throwing rice."

He said that the attack began at about 4 p.m. (1400 GMT) and lasted nearly an hour, until 4:55 p.m.

"In a very systematic way, formations of Israeli warplanes raided Ossimiyeh.

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Israeli warplanes raided areas around the southern city of Tyre and that Israeli gunboats shelled commando positions near the town of Sarafand. About 12 miles (20 km) to the north of the city.

"This enemy claim cannot justify massive air raids against civilians. This criminal vengeance will not go unpunished," the communiqué said.

"Our revolutionary fighters in occupied territories and elsewhere know how to retaliate swiftly. They cannot be terrorized by enemy terror."

An official at the Palestine news agency Wafa also said

Cabinet shuffled

Lebanese army chief made defense minister

BEIRUT, Dec. 20 (Agencies) — President Elias Sarkis Wednesday named army chief Maj.-Gen. Victor Khoury as defense minister in what was seen as a bid to strengthen the prestige of the fledgling 9,000-man regular forces.

Foreign Minister Fouad Boutros gave up the defense portfolio to make the move possible, saying he wished to devote himself exclusively to foreign affairs. Khoury will retain his position as army commander.

After a cabinet meeting presided over by Sarkis, Boutros told reporters he had "given up" the defense portfolio.

"This strengthens the prestige of the army at a time when it has been involved in a number of clashes with the right-wing militias," said one political source.

"It is also likely to make parliamentary approval of a new army bill easier since Khoury is a Maronite, enjoys the confidence of Sarkis and

will supervise the application of the law."

The cabinet also accepted the resignation of Michael Doumet as industry and oil minister.

Doumet, who has differed with colleagues over a number of issues related to restoring peace in Lebanon, tendered his resignation two months ago. But it was shelved at that time because of clashes between right-wing militias and Syrian troops attached to the Arab peacekeeping force.

Assaad Rizk — minister of labor and social affairs, fine arts, agriculture and education — will take over Doumet's portfolio. His own duties as agriculture minister will in turn be assumed by Amin Bizz, minister of public works, transport and tourism.

Prime Minister Salim Hoss told parliament Tuesday his government failed to re-establish security in Lebanon because of the lack of law-enforcing bodies in areas beyond the jurisdiction of the peace force.

Dayan, Khalil to meet in Europe soon

TEL AVIV, Dec. 20 (Agencies) — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil will meet in Europe in the next day or two to discuss how to resume the stalled Israel-Egypt peace talks, a spokesman for Prime Minister Menachem Begin said Wednesday.

Dayan left Wednesday afternoon for Brussels for what was described as a three-day trip to meet members of the European Council of Ministers and Israeli ambassadors. At the airport Dayan told reporters he knew of no plans for meeting Arab figures.

But a few hours later spokesman Shlomo Nakdimon told the Associated Press that Dayan would meet Khalil "to-

morrow or the day after" in Europe and they would discuss "how to make future negotiations."

A second official said Begin himself was expected to make an announcement "in the next few days."

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Dayan returned to Washington Friday after failing to achieve an Egyptian-Israeli agreement on a peace treaty.

Vance left Wednesday night for Genoa, where he is scheduled to meet Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko for a continuation of the negotiations toward a SALT II treaty on limiting nuclear arms.

The sources said Vance plans to meet Saturday in Brussels with Dayan and Mustafa Khalil.

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Vance's efforts left the Israeli government angry at what it considered to be undue U.S. pressure, and the Israeli Knesset Tuesday backed up the government in rejecting U.S. attempts to pressure Israel to meet Egyptian demands before ratifying the Camp David peace accords.

In another development Israel has stopped a limited military evacuation of the occupied Sinai peninsula because of the collapse of its peace treaty with Egypt, Defense ministry officials said Wednesday. Withdrawal of non-combatant items such as fence building equipment was

halted by orders of Defence Minister Ezer Weizman several days ago.

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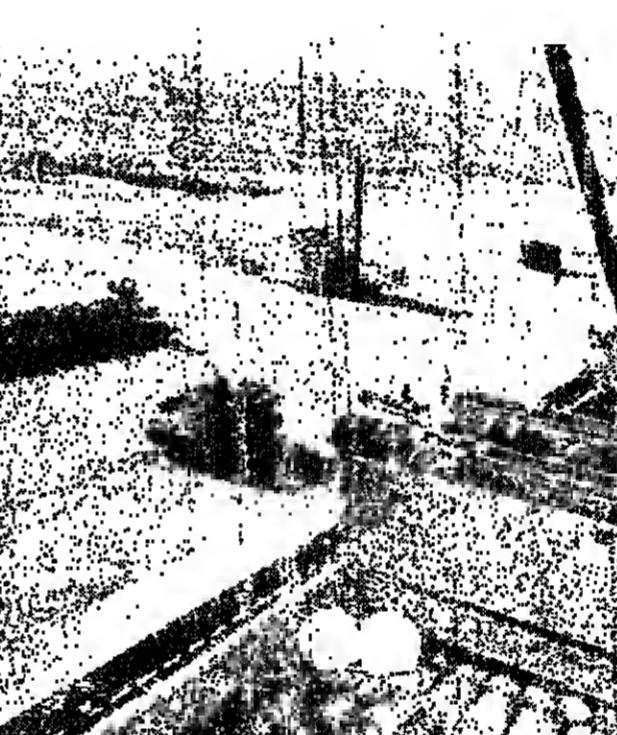
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PEACE PATROL: A Lebanese army armored personnel carrier patrols newly-opened Beirut Port Wednesday as cargo is offloaded at the port, closed for over six months due to the conflict there. (WIREPHOTO)

Mob violence erupts

15,000 Gandhi supporters arrested

NEW DELHI, Dec. 20 (Agencies) — Five persons were killed and about 15,000 arrested Wednesday when supporters of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi protested against her jailing and expulsion from parliament.

The United News of India said three persons were killed in Bangalore, South India, when police opened fire to disperse stone-throwing mobs. Two demonstrators were killed in clashes in Kerala state, on the southeast coast.

Incidents of arson were reported in a number of places including Bombay and Bangalore where buses and railway cars were destroyed by protesters.

A Bombay policeman was doused with gasoline and set ablaze, but a hospital said later he was out of danger.

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Gandhi was taken to Delhi's Tihar jail late Tuesday, UNI said. Most apparently "voluntarily" arrested, a common Indian political tactic, by violating bans on street protests and cheerfully climbing into police trucks.

About 2,500 members of the para-military border security force have been brought into the Indian capital in case of a major outbreak of violence.

Mrs. Gandhi, meanwhile,

spent the day quietly reading in a special cell at Tihar jail and received a meal prepared by her daughter-in-law, Sonia, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency reported.

The lower house of parliament (Lok Sabha) voted Tuesday to have Mrs. Gandhi, her private secretary and the former director of the Central Bureau of Investigation imprisoned for harassing officials trying to gather information

that could be used against her.

The upper house (Rajya Sabha) adjourned Wednesday without conducting any business because of uproar by Mrs. Gandhi's party members over her arrest. The lower house

also had to be adjourned for a brief period.

In the upper house, Congress party members seized the public address microphone and shouted such slogans as "dictatorship will not be tolerated."

November oil exports 9.6m b/d

JEDDAH, Dec. 20 (SPA) — Saudi oil exports reached 9,645,669 barrels a day in Nov. compared to 8,882,558 b/d in October. Deputy Oil Minister Abdul Aziz Al-Turki said Wednesday.

Dr. Turki said Aramco's exports were 9,378,117 million barrels a day; Arabian Oil Company 221,900 b/d and Getty Oil Co. 45,652 b/d for November.

November's average exports were still higher than the 8 million barrels a day figure budgeted at constant prices for fiscal June-June 1979.

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Riyadh, Dec. 20 (Agencies) — Faisal Bin Sultan Al-Qasimi of the United Arab Emirates has been appointed acting chairman of the board of the Arab Organization for Industrialization (AOI) — the Egyptian-based arms manufacturing Arab consortium. Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan said here Wednesday.

Prince Sultan is chairman of the Higher Arab Committee for War Industrialization.

Qasimi replaced Dr. Ashraf Marwan.

Prince Sultan's committee accepted Marwan's resignation and praised his services to the AOI.

The AOI is a multimillion dollar consortium formed by

Qasimi, a member of the AOI board under Marwan, was elevated to chairman by a decision of the war industrialization committee consisting of the defense ministers of the four consortium partners.

Steel mill agreement will be signed before February, Zamel says

By a Staff Reporter

RIYADH, Dec. 20 — The Saudi Basic Industries Corporation will sign an agreement with a German firm for the construction of the Kingdom's first iron ore processing plant by February. SABIC Deputy Chairman Abdul Aziz Al-Zamel told "Al-Jazirah" in an interview published Wednesday.

The direct-reduction plant, at Jubail is designed to produce 850,000 metric tons of steel bars per year once it enters full production and is planned to be a joint venture of SABIC and the Korf Stahl company of Baden-Baden, West Germany.

Zamel told "Al-Jazirah" that Saudi domestic consumption of steel will amount to 800,000 tons a year by 1982, the target date for the completion of the mill.

Officials involved in the negotiations between SABIC and Korf Stahl were reported as saying recently that progress had been held up by Korf Stahl's reluctance to accept 50 per cent of the equity, which is the basis for SABIC's nego-

tiations with other western companies for petrochemical industries.

However, the West German government through DEG, an agency for economic cooperation, is understood to have entered the negotiations with the intention of sharing in the project's equity.

First discussions on the direct-reduction plant began in 1976 with Will Korf, a principal inventor of the Mokress process and founder of Korf Stahl. A 1.6 million ton-a-year export plant was suggested then.

When a letter of intent was signed between SABIC and the German company last year, output was lowered to supply only domestic consumption. Plans now call for the production of 800,000 tons of sponge iron a year which will be mixed with scrap and converted to 850,000 tons of steel "billets" — heavy square bars.

Cost of the project was recently estimated at \$300,000. Zamel said that SABIC has already sent a number of Saudis to Germany and the United States for training in different parts of the industry.

Third Plan's main lines readied by ministry unit

JEDDAH, Dec. 20 — "Al-Jazirah" also reported Wednesday that the broad outlines of the Third Five-Year Development Plan have been drawn up by a 14-member all-Saudi committee.

The paper quoted Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer as saying that the outlines for the plan, which will be launched in mid-1980, are complete and will be presented to the Council of Ministers shortly.

Actual detailed work on the plan will require the assistance of foreign experts, Sheikh Hisham said. Deputy Planning Minister Dr. Faisal Bashir spelled out this assistance as

"the kind that Japan provides the United States in certain industries and vice-versa."

The Third Plan will pay particular attention to the outskirts and suburbs of the cities, Bashir said.

Asked about recent complaints of bid overpricing by American or European firms, Bashir said "all we care is that the bids be reasonable, whatever the nationality of the bidder — Asian, American, European or even Arab". Anyway, Saudi companies now rank sixth in the number of contracts executed here according to estimates from abroad, he said.



FRONTIERSMEN: Brig. Nejmaddin Zaidan, commander of the Iraqi Frontier Forces meets officers of the Saudi Coast Guard during an inspection tour in Jeddah Wednesday.

Housing parley told

Training abroad may not be answer

By Mary Jo McConahey
DHARAH, Dec. 20 —

Developing countries like Saudi Arabia should do more training of housing and construction professionals at home, one expert told the international conference on Housing Problems in Developing Countries here Wednesday.

Training abroad is undesirable when the engineer or architect becomes used to techniques that are costly, unsuitable or unavailable at home and when he loses touch with local conditions, he told the audience of housing specialists at the University of Petroleum and Minerals.

In a keynote speech on the third day of the conference and later in an interview with "Arab News", Prof. Fred Moavenzadeh, director of the Technical Adaptation Institute at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology also said that MIT's experience and other reports indicated that the present practice of extended study abroad "does not answer the needs" of students from developing countries.

Because educated technicians are in short supply at home, these students may return and quickly find themselves in positions of major responsibility for government programs.

Their training fails to take this into account.

Students from Saudi Arabia and elsewhere doing graduate work in the United States may find themselves competing for research topics or taking the same courses as students who cannot expect positions nearly so elevated or responsibility so great, he said.

In an afternoon session, delegates heard an American sociologist suggest that compound living, so prevalent in Saudi Arabia and other developing countries with large expatriate workforces, may actually be detrimental to national goals.

Dr. John Parsinnen, a Middle Eastern specialist who now teaches at UPM, suggested that Bill stickers on flyovers in Jeddah are to be prosecuted, Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi has announced.

"Okaz" newspaper reported Wednesday that the mayor had declared the practice an offense as defacing the city and making extra work for the municipality.

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Al-Moneem, director general of the Real Estate Development Fund and Dr. Talal A. Bakr, dean of the College of Engineering at Riyadh University.

Dr. Saleh Al-Malik, deputy minister of municipal and rural affairs, will deliver the keynote address Thursday. Friday's session will be opened by Dr. Abdul-Latif Kanoo, Bahraini deputy housing minister.

Bill stickers face prosecution

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Vatican meeting seen step to relations

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Pope John Paul II received Saudi Ambassador to Italy Khaled Nasser Al-Turki in a private audience Tuesday in what observers said may be a step towards establishing diplomatic relations between Saudi Arabia and the Vatican.

The Vatican newspaper "L' Osservatore Romano," in a background article about Saudi Arabia, noted the religious significance of the Holy City of Mecca for hundreds of millions of Muslims and said: "The international community, in its part, looks to Saudi Arabia with growing interest, not only because of its economic power, but also for the prestige it has earned thanks to the equilibrium and farsightedness of its leaders."

Local Briefs

JIZAN, (SPA) — A committee from the Ministry of Agriculture and Water and the Agricultural Credit Bank Wednesday inspected Farasan Island off Jizan to appraise the needs of cultivators and fishermen.

JEDDAH, (SPA) — Twenty-seven secondary schools opened at the beginning of the academic year to bring the Kingdom's total to 174, the Education Ministry said Wednesday.

JEDDAH, — Fourteen persons were admitted to the King's Hospital in Medina Tuesday, some in serious condition, after their GMC vehicle collided with a petrol tanker on the Medina-Jeddah road, "Al-Bilad" reported Wednesday. Six ambulances took them to Medina.

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Hussein says: Arabs ready for all-party peace talks

LONDON, Dec. 20 (R) — King Hussein of Jordan has spoken of another Arab initiative to find a Middle East peace agreement.

Briefing British journalists here Tuesday night, the king did not go into details but raised several possible steps.

He said Arab countries generally were ready for all-party peace talks.

The king also raised the possibility of the United Nations reaffirming and redefining the 1967 Resolution 242, widely regarded as a basis for a Middle East settlement.

Since a Baghdad summit of all Arab states except Egypt condemned Egyptian-Israeli peace moves, the king has spent much time briefing West European leaders.



King Hussein

He has travelled to West Germany, Italy and France. He has conferred here with British Prime Minister James Callaghan and Foreign Secretary David Owen.

The king made clear he was not playing a concrete role on behalf of the Baghdad summit. But he said his visits had been made "in the spirit of the Baghdad meeting."

He spoke of his disappointment over Egypt's role negotiating on its own with Israel.

"As far as Jordan is concerned we cannot bargain an inch of Palestinian territory," he reiterated.

The Jordanian monarch acknowledged that the Arab states' "military option" in trying to reach a Middle East settlement would be considerably weakened without Egypt.

Whether or not an Israeli-Egyptian agreement was concluded, the other Arab countries wanted "a momentum for peace to be regained at the earliest possible date," he added.

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TEHRAN: The death toll from an earthquake that rocked the mountain region of Iran's southwestern Khuzestan province last week has risen to at least 59, the state-run Iran radio reported Wednesday.

It said the quake, which hit last Thursday, destroyed or badly damaged 300 villages in the remote Izeh and Masjed-e Soleiman areas of the Zagros mountains.

JERUSALEM: A bomb hidden under a crate of soft drink bottles set in front of a snack bar exploded on a main street in the heart of the old walled city Wednesday and wounded four persons, witnesses said.

ROME: Lebanon's religious and political leaders wish to reconstruct a "united, independent and peaceful" nation, Vatican special envoy Cardinal Paolo Bertoli said Tuesday upon his return from a two-

Cyprus talks may resume in February

NICOSIA, Dec. 20 (R) — Talks between the Greek and Turkish Cypriots on a new American peace plan for the divided island could start in February or early March, Cyprus Foreign Minister Nicos Rolandis said Wednesday.

A decision on whether to hold the talks should be made within a few weeks, he said.

Rolandis was speaking after flying home from lengthy talks in the U.S. with State Department officials and U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim.

His trip followed the unveiling last month of a 12-point American plan for the island, divided since the 1974 Turkish invasion.

The plan called for a federal government controlling separate Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot areas and the return of some Turkish Cypriot-held territory to the Greek side.

Rolandis refused to discuss his American talks but said he was ready to fly back to New York for more talks with Waldheim if necessary.

Iraq protests arrest of diplomat in Cairo

BAGHDAD, Dec. 20 (AP)

— Iraq strongly protested Wednesday against the arrest of one of its diplomats in Cairo, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

The Egyptian Foreign Ministry announced Monday that the diplomat, Saadoun Hassan Zaroun, an attaché at the Iraqi interests section in Cairo, had been granted political asylum. He was quoted as saying he defected because of his belief "in the Arab policy of President Anwar Sadat."

The Iraqi protest denied the defection claim, saying Zaroun had in fact been arrested by the Egyptian police. It demanded

Lebanon buys 200 missiles from France

BEIRUT, Dec. 20 (R) — Lebanon has bought anti-tank missiles worth 15 million francs (\$3.5 million) from France, military sources said.

The deal is part of a program to rebuild Lebanon's war-tattered army and follows a visit to Paris by Foreign and Defense Minister Faud Butros.

The shipment of 200 Milan missiles with 18 launch pads is expected in Lebanon next month, the sources said.

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Escape in car chase

IRA bomb suspects fire on police

LONDON, Dec. 20 (AP) — Police hunting Irish terrorist bombers were fired on from a wanted car which they chased and lost early Wednesday.

Hampshire police said a two-man patrol near Aldershot, 30 miles southwest of London, spotted a white Opel Kadett saloon known to have been hired by the gang with a stolen driver's license. As they pursued

it across the country border into neighboring Surrey, a shotgun was fired at them, but missed.

The wanted car was chased around a factory estate and then lost in the darkness at the village of Badshot Lea. Police said "a large force" of armed officers from Surrey drove into the area and began searching.

The Kadett, bearing license

plate APU 827S, was one of four cars hired by men with Irish accents last week. Two were turned into time bombs and blew up in central London early Monday, causing damage but no serious injury. The third was found with an unexploded bomb on the back seat.

The Provisional IRA claimed responsibility for the bombs and for seven other explosions in five provincial English cities Sunday. The attacks renewed IRA bombing of the British mainland after 22 months.

In London Wednesday, 2,000 uniformed police — many of them trained and armed marksmen — mingled with shoppers in the crowded streets of the West End in what Scotland Yard dubbed "Operation Santa" — its biggest-ever anti-terrorist operation.

Yard sources said the operation, scheduled through Christmas Eve, will cost half a million pounds (\$1 million), mostly in overtime pay, transportation, catering and communications. All leave was cancelled for the rest of the 21,500-man force in Metropolitan London and all police in the capital were ordered to stand 12-hour duty stretches instead of the normal eight.

"The object is to put a visible police presence on the streets," said the yard. "Small groups of officers will be stationed at streetcorners or on patrol in small areas, with the object of deterring bombers from parking cars with bombs or depositing parcel bombs."

It said groups of armed officers were at subway stations in readiness for possible bombings of stations and trains and 140 police employed by the transport services will ride the subway.

New assembly meets

Namibians debate second vote

WINDHOEK, Dec. 20 (R) — The newly-elected Constituent Assembly of Namibia, which is not recognized by the United Nations, Wednesday opened its first session with the question of more elections this time internationally-recognized, high on the agenda.

The assembly, whose original mandate was to draw up an independence constitution for the South African-ruled territory, was elected in a poll called by Pretoria earlier this month.

But they differed widely in explaining the blackout.

The Socialist daily "Le Matin" said the breakdown was the logical consequence of years of neglect of other sources of energy and of state-sponsored advertising of electrical goods.

to go along with U.N. plans. Opening the assembly, South African Administrator-General Judge Martinus Steyn, said "One of the most important and most urgent matters which this assembly will have to

decide is the question of holding a second election for a legislative body for the territory with United Nations participation in accordance with Resolutions 431 and 435 of the U.N.'s Security Council."

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Romania firm in snubbing Moscow

VIENNA, Dec. 20 (R) — Romania has rejected the option of its Warsaw Pact allies by deciding to channel funds earmarked for next year's defense budget into increased family allowances.

The country's top policy-making body, the Political Executive Committee, agreed in its annual session to increase family allowances by up to 500 million lei (some \$40 million) next year.

The official Agerves news agency said that "taking into account the fact that the state budget estimates for next year are much higher than in 1978, the funds needed to increase family allowances will be covered by reducing military expenditure."

President Nicolae Ceausescu has provoked new strains in the seven-nation Warsaw Pact by saying he refused to agree by saying he refused to agree to increase defense outlays at a pact summit in Moscow last month. This is the first sign of his intention not to back down.

Commandeered ambulance takes Basques over border

PAMPLONA, Spain, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Three Basque separatists have commandeered a Red Cross ambulance driven by a soldier to cross the frontier into France.

Authorities at the Red Cross post at Puerto de Velate in the mountains near the border said three youths appeared, claiming to be exhausted after spending hours lost in the

The soldiers manning the post agreed to send them to Elizondo in an ambulance. As they approached Elizondo, they told the driver they were ETA guerrillas and wanted to cross the frontier at Eugarri, officials said.

The ambulance crossed the frontier at high speed, sirens screaming and lights flashing.

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Soviets dampen U.S. hopes for early SALT success

BANDUNG — It is GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Agreement this week on a new strategic arms limitation treaty is "too much to hope," Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko said Wednesday.

"We do not foresee the conclusion of an accord in this chivalry," he said at the air-

port as he arrived for a new round of negotiations with U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

"This is too much to hope," Gromyko volunteered no other less as to when he thought playing six-year-old talks could be

The round up. On Tuesday, President Jimmy Carter expressed hope that he can meet Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev and

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sign a treaty in Washington before the Jan. 31 visit of Chinese Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping.

Gromyko laughed when he said he does not expect that he and Vance can complete a final SALT treaty at their meeting.

In a formal statement read in Russian and interpreted into French, Gromyko said both the United States and the Soviet Union have said they want an agreement as soon as possible.

"We would like to hope that this meeting can take us considerably nearer to the realization of this goal," Gromyko said.



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Compromise in Cleveland may head off labor crisis

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Cleveland's beleaguered Mayor Dennis Kucinich has made a compromise move which could head off threatened strikes and avert a mass layoff of city police and firemen.

His proposal late Tuesday opened the way for the feuding mayor and the powerful city council to reach a compromise on selling the money-losing municipal light plant as part of a plan to save Cleveland from bankruptcy.

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WASHINGTON BATTLE

In a major address earlier this year, Senator James Abourezk predicted that the decisive battles of the Arab-Israeli conflict would be fought not in the Middle East, but in Washington. The senator realized that, given America's role as the sole guardian of Israel and its pressing need for the oil resources of the Middle East, the United States would inevitably be a prime actor in any efforts to resolve the conflict. And thus, he reasoned, whichever side was able to win the hearts and/or minds of the administration and Congress would have a decided edge in the bargaining process aimed at a Middle East settlement. While Israel has long been the darling of American policymakers and legislators, thanks to the efforts of a politically active Jewish constituency in the United States, an array of new factors—including oil, growing Arab financial power, the Saudi-U.S. friendship and the PR successes of Anwar Sadat—has led to the steady erosion of Israel's privileged status in the United States over the past few years. This erosion, of course, is only partial, and few people believe it could ever lead to an American abandonment of Israel. Consequently Israel's declining fortunes in Washington have made it possible for U.S. decision-makers to pursue—if they choose—a reasonably balanced Middle East policy.

In recent days we have seen indications that official Washington is gradually becoming aware of its newfound independence. The administration and Congress are starting to flex their muscles vis-a-vis Israel and the once powerful Zionist lobby. President Carter has openly sided with President Sadat in the Egyptian-Israeli treaty controversy. He has made it clear, through deliberate White House leaks, that he was greatly angered by Menachem Begin's rejection of the latest peace compromise. And the president has taken the unprecedented step of refusing to meet with American Jewish leaders on the Middle East stalemate. Meanwhile, Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd has publicly attacked Israel's settlements policy in the West Bank—warning that Congress may vote to cut aid to Israel if the Jewish state continues to expand its presence in the occupied territories. Washington sources have said Mr. Byrd's remarks reflect a growing impatience with Israel's intransigence among many senators and congressmen—as well as increasing sentiment in favor of Palestinian self-determination.

Sensing danger, the pro-Israeli lobby in the United States has gone on the offensive, launching a campaign to promote the Israeli position in Congress and within the Carter administration. One of the tactics the lobby is reportedly using—albeit with great finesse—is the threat of undermining President Carter's 1980 re-election bid by rallying Jewish support and campaign funds behind Mr. Carter's potential Democratic rival, Senator Edward Kennedy. Whether President Carter will buckle under such pressure remains to be seen. In fact, it is still not known whether the president will seek a second term. But it is beyond question that the Israeli lobby has joined battle with the Carter administration once again—as it did during the F-15 debate—and it is likely that this confrontation will be more intense and decisive than the previous one.

Soviets below target

By Barton Rappert
MOSCOW—

Soviet economic strategists are setting stepped-up growth targets for 1979 in an effort to offset the economy's lackluster performance during the first three years of the current five-year plan.

However, Western analysts say that barring any sudden, massive boost in labor productivity, there appears little chance that the country's centralized economy will ever come close to achieving overall goals originally mapped out for the 1976-80 period.

Along with lagging productivity, the Soviet economy is faced with a variety of other major problems as it heads into 1979, including:

—Chronic shortages of adequate-quality consumer goods.

—A costly and growing backlog of unfinished construction.

—Escalating costs to exploit vast reserves of coal, gas and other natural resources in Siberia.

—A potentially severe man-power squeeze looming in the 1980s.

The lagging issues of wage egalitarianism vs. bigger pay differentials to provide incentive for Soviet president Leonid Brezhnev in a major economic speech he delivered late last month at a plenary session of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee.

Several Western analysts said they found Brezhnev's language in the speech unusually blunt and frank. On the consumer front, Brezhnev declared: "Ministers, party and local government executives and economic managers, workers of the planning bodies must exert all efforts to speed up the development of industries producing consumer goods."

In 1977, actual growth in Soviet national income was only 3.5 per cent—the Soviet economy's worst performance since World War II.

Even if the economy manages to achieve the boosted plan targets for 1979, still it may prove virtually impossible for the Kremlin to realize the ambitious economic growth goals which were set for the current five-year plan.

"Al-Medina" said objections to the recent OPEC price rise are unjustified in view of the compelling circumstances that made the rise inevitable." The paper quoted Crown Prince Fahd's statement to this effect.

"The reactions to the OPEC decision are emotional and unfounded," the paper said. "If the industrialized states are not concerned over the harm done to the OPEC countries as a result of their own policies, the OPEC states are concerned and are justified in their action due to their responsibilities to their own peoples and the people of other poor countries."

"The OPEC countries are helping poorer countries as much as they can. This was admitted by President Mobutu of Zaire recently and is frequently admitted by the United States. The industrialized states ought now seek to revive."

"As oil exporters, we refuse to go along unless there are firm guarantees that the dia-

logue will take into consideration the whole spectrum of North-South trade relations. In this way the oil states aim at achieving a fair international trade balance that serves the interests of the whole world."

Reviewing the good offices of Saudi Arabia to end the war in Lebanon, "Al-Riyad" said: "It is obvious that Israel is working assiduously to abort any efforts to bring permanent peace to that country. Israel is directly and indirectly involved in keeping the embers of the conflict glowing. It has prevented the United Nations from establishing an effective presence in the southern part of the country and has used stooges like Chamoun, Haddad and Chidiq to foment trouble and undermine the efforts of those working to restore stability and national reconciliation."

The paper said "there is a good possibility for a fresh conflagration in Lebanon be-

cause of the failure of the Blair House talks and the reemergence of Henry Kissinger and his latest statements."

"Is this man not involved in cooking up an international recipe?" the paper wondered, and answered itself affirmatively.

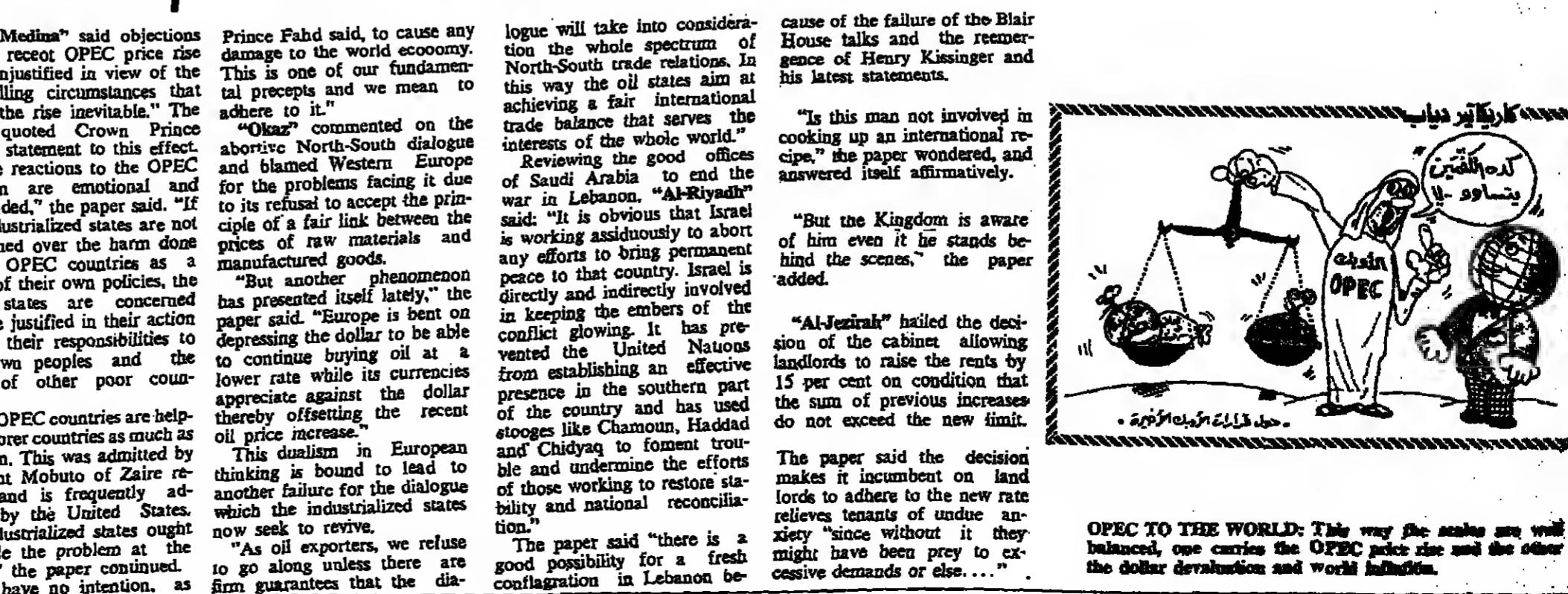
"But the Kingdom is aware of him even if he stands behind the scenes," the paper added.

"Al-Jezirah" hailed the decision of the cabinet allowing landlords to raise the rents by 15 per cent on condition that the sum of previous increases do not exceed the new limit.

The paper said the decision makes it incumbent on land lords to adhere to the new rate relieves tenants of undue anxiety "since without it they might have been prey to excessive demands or else..."

OPEC TO THE WORLD: This way the scales are well balanced, one carries the OPEC price rise and the other the dollar devaluation and world inflation.

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Israeli government digging in

EDITOR'S NOTE: As the year comes to an end, there is still no Mideast peace treaty. With hopes fading, assessment begins of where the fault might rest. Associated Press writer Barry Schwedt, who has covered U.S. shuttle diplomacy in the Kissinger and Carter eras, retraces the ups and downs since the Camp David summit and looks at the prospects.

By Barry Schwedt

WASHINGTON — In the aftermath of Camp David there was optimism that an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty could be concluded within three, even two, months.

But the target date is now past, and in the place of hope there is stalemate, recrimination and erosion.

What went wrong?

Most basically, the two sides could not agree on how to deal with the Palestinian dispute.

Egypt wanted strong links in the treaty package to Palestinian autonomy.

Israel refused. It claims that under the two Camp David "framework agreements," the Palestinian negotiations were to be conducted separately after the treaty with Egypt was wrapped up.

This fundamental dispute has permeated the negotiations since Camp David, including U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's unsuccessful fling at shuttle diplomacy last week.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat had insisted from the start of the post-summit peace talks on a timetable for elections among the 1.1 million Palestinians on the Israeli-held West Bank of Jordan and in Gaza.

An old Egyptian idea, it had gotten little attention during U.S. President Carter's summit with Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Last month, Sadat sent Vice President Hosni Mubarak to Washington to propose September 1979 as the fixed date for electing the West Bank-Gaza self-governing council Begin had accepted at the summit.

That date would coincide with the promised completion of Israel's first interim withdrawal from the Sinai.

Because normalization of relations between Egypt and

Israel would start only after the withdrawal and the establishment of a Palestinian council, peace in effect became conditional on Palestinian autonomy.

Sadat also proposed that the treaty's Article VI be scrapped.

That article would have a peace with Israel supersede Cairo's military ties to other Arab countries under a 1951 collective security agreement.

Israel, meanwhile, was making a significant turn around in its formal approval of the treaty terms as they had been negotiated with the Egyptians in Washington.

By taking no action, the Begin government implicitly rejected an American proposal that the end of 1979 be set as the target for Palestinian elections.

Vance had suggested the date as a compromise between Sadat's demand for autonomy by September 1979 and Begin's rejection of any link between the peace treaty and Palestinian self-rule.

At this point, negotiations are suspended indefinitely.

President Carter and his Press Secretary, Jody Powell, have blamed Israel's stubbornness for the impasse. But there is no evidence this pressure tactic will be any more effective than Carter's invocation of last Sunday as a "dead-line" for concluding the treaty.

"We are not a vassal country," Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz said Monday.

"We are not a dependent of the United States."

The Israeli government is digging in. Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan says Israel will not initiate renewed negotiations with Egypt until U.S.-supported Egyptian amendments are dropped.

But the Egyptians are giving no sign of backtracking. With the support of the Carter administration, there is little incentive to give in at this point. (AP)

Taiwan confident of future

By Terry W. Anderson

TAIPEI —

Government and private leaders in Taiwan believe America's switch of recognition to Mainland China will have little lasting effect on their country. They are confident the Republic of China will remain secure and prosperous, one of the fastest growing, richest nations in Asia.

But how are the self-same people going to react as it dawns on them that they may be the ones who pay the price for ending inflation or at least taking it off the backs of leaders, the class that has paid the highest price for the low-calling dollar?

In California, there is the variable-interest-rate mortgage, in actuality a mortgage with interest payments which fluctuate according to the ebb and flow of inflation. In a lot of states that kind of mortgage would bump into the usury laws, the moralistic name for price control over money, and already people are hearing from lenders that, unless these laws are repealed, they're not going to make mortgages. The usury which will ensue—unless national interest rates dive downward—will be a disguised fight between deflationists and inflationists.

The same kind of fight is likely to break out in other sectors of the economy as various groups and individuals learn it ain't necessarily so, that while inflation is like the rain in that it falls on all of us, it is also like the rain in that it floods some gardens while it makes others bloom.

After the shock and abrupt announcement of the immediate and loud negative reaction, there has been an outpouring of support for the government of President Chiang Ching-kuo.

After the weekend's street demonstrations against the United States, in which two Americans were injured, little anti-American sentiment was visible. A few taxi drivers refused to take American passengers. Some foreigners were stopped on the street, asked if they were American, and if they were American, and if they didn't have to visit our island.

Four days after the shock, government officials and foreign and Chinese businessmen as well as most citizens, agree that Taiwan can get along fine without official ties with the United States, as long as economic ties remain strong.

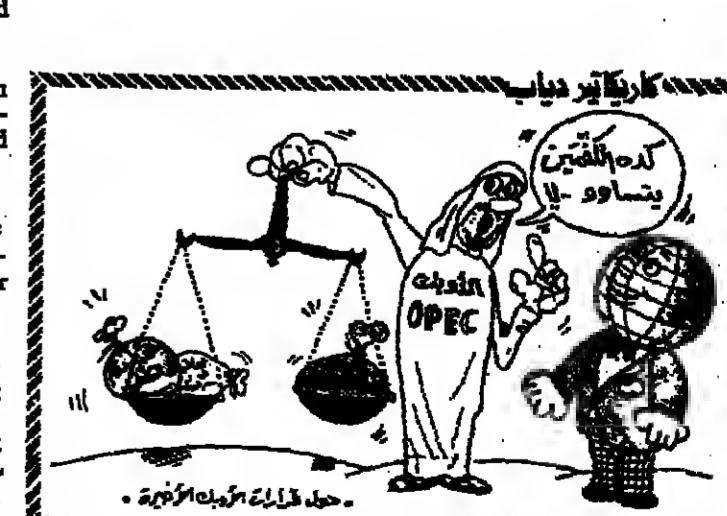
Militarily, the Nationalists are judged more than strong enough to defeat any attempt by Mainland China to take over the island, and no one really believes Peking will try it.

The army and air force are well trained, highly disciplined and motivated, and armed at least as well as the Communists. As one U.S. source said, an invasion by the Communists would be "the most expensive military operation ever made."

Economically, the Republic of China is strong and growing stronger rapidly. The Gross National Product is expected to increase more than 12 per cent this year, following last year's 8.5 per cent.

Unemployment has dropped from 2.4 per cent in 1975 to a minimal 1.3 per cent last year.

Foreign investment in Taiwan has totaled \$123 million so far this year, 67 million of it from the United States. Construction is going strong, including several new large hotels, office buildings and apartments in Taipei. (AP)



Modest ends in

BANGKOK, Dec. 27.—every...
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the turkey with chestnut stuffing...
or, for a change, try apricot stuffing...
and cook covered...
with a tent of foil until the...
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should remove it to brown the...
breast. The bird is done when...
the juices run clear rather than...
pink if the thickest part of the...
leg is pierced with a skewer or...
fork. It takes about 4½ hrs. to...
cook a 10 pound bird.

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cold dessert is probably more...
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Take a delicious bombe or a...

jelly pudding in the traditional...
plum pudding shape.

Apricot Stuffing
4 oz. dried apricots
4 oz. celery (if none available use 1 tsp. celery seed)

6 oz. fresh breadcrumbs
½ tsp. dried sage
¼ tsp. ground mixed spice
1 oz. butter melted
Seasoning
1 small egg
1 tbsp. French mustard

Dice the apricots and chop...
the celery finely. Combine with...
breadcrumbs, sage, spice, butter...
and plenty of seasoning.
Lightly beat the egg and mustard...
together and use to bind the...
stuffing together. If necessary, moisten with a little stock.

Chestnut Stuffing
1 lb. chestnuts
½ pt. stock or milk
4 oz. breadcrumbs
1 tsp. chopped parsley
1 oz. butter
A little grated lemon rind
Salt and pepper
Sugar
1 egg

Make a slit in both ends of...
the chestnuts (this makes it...
easier to remove the skins) and...
boil them in water for about...
10 minutes. Then skin them...
Put the shelled nuts into a...
pan with enough stock or milk...
to cover and simmer gently...
until tender. Then mash the...
chestnuts or put through a...
sieve. Mix with the...
breadcrumbs, parsley, melted butter...
and grated lemon rind. Season...
with salt, pepper and sugar.
Bind with the beaten egg.

Festive Bombe
6 oz. fine cookie crumbs
2½ oz. butter
15 fl. oz. double cream



½ tsp. vanilla essence
10 oz. fruit mincemeat
1 pt. vanilla ice cream

6 oz. glace cherries
½ oz. finely chopped almonds or walnuts

½ tsp. almond essence
Lightly butter a 2½ pt. basin.
Combine the crumbs with the

melted butter and line the...
pudding basin (or bombe...
mould), pressing the mixture...
evenly round the sides. Chill...
until the crust is firm.

Whip the cream and stir in...
the vanilla essence. Combine...
the cream with the mincemeat...
Spoon this mixture into the...
crust lined basin, spreading it...
in an even layer and leaving a...
deep hollow for the ice cream.
Freeze until the cream is firm.

Soften the ice cream slightly...
Stir in the cherries, whole...
or chopped, the nuts and spices...
or almond essence. Pack this mixture...
into the mould and smooth it over evenly. Cover and...
freeze for at least 12 hours.

Unmould the bombe straight...
from the freezer. Dip the...
basin briefly in hot water and...
turn the bombe out onto a...
flat plate. Return it to the...
maiden compartment of the...
refrigerator for about one hour...
before serving. Serves 8-10.

Jelly Pudding
4 oz. currants
4 oz. raisins
Small tin pineapple chunks
1 pt. raspberry jelly
4 tbsp. grape juice
4 oz. glace cherries, halved
4 oz. walnut halves, chopped
½ tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. nutmeg
½ pt. whipped cream

A few black grapes and...
angelica to decorate.

Soak the currants and raisins...
overnight then drain well. Substitute...
other dried fruit if these are...
unavailable. Chop pineapple...
smaller and drain well. Make up the...
jelly as directed on the packet but...
using only ½ pt. of boiling water. Allow to...
cool. Stir in the grape juice...
fruit, nuts and spices. Stir mixture...
occasionally until cold and just about to set. Turn...
into a ½ pt. pudding basin.

previously rinsed with cold...
water. Chill overnight. Turn...
out and serve decorated with...
whipped cream, grapes and...
angelica. Serve 6-8.

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A potpourri of events and activities...
from around the Kingdom
JEDDAH

Thursday, Dec. 21

Tickets on sale for the Pantomime "Sing a song of sixpence" at the British embassy, every day except Friday and Monday. Adults SR 15, children SR 10. Performance Jan. 7-11 at Players Playhouse.

Saturday, Dec. 23

British/Dutch clinic open as usual, but British Community Library closed. The clinic will close on Dec. 25, 26. The Pakistani embassy will be showing a film at 8:00 p.m. at the chancery premises to celebrate the birthday anniversary of the founder of Pakistan. Show open to members of the Pakistani community. Admission free.

Thursday, Dec. 28—Friday, Dec. 29

Saudi Arabian Natural History Society expedition to the Hot Springs in Al Lith.

Riyadh

Thursday, Dec. 28—Friday, Dec. 29

"Paintings by Hirai" exhibition continues at the Intercontinental Hotel Exhibition Hall. Open 10:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 22

Junior Horse Show at the Riyadh Stables. Participants under 18 year old. Open 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Dhahran

Thursday, Dec. 21—Wednesday, Dec. 27

The housing Conference Exhibition at the University of Petroleum and Minerals will remain open. Admission free.

Thursday, Dec. 21—Thursday, Jan. 4

Exhibition of the work of architect Eric Otto and his team will take place at the King Faisal University in Dammam. From 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., daily except Friday. Admission free.

Thursday, Dec. 21—Wednesday, Jan. 4

Registration continues for the Al Khobar Tennis Tournament. This is the largest of tennis tournaments in the Kingdom, and is open to players of all nationalities. For information, entry forms call Neil Perkins, Tel: 70246, or Fred Benson, Tel: 70109.

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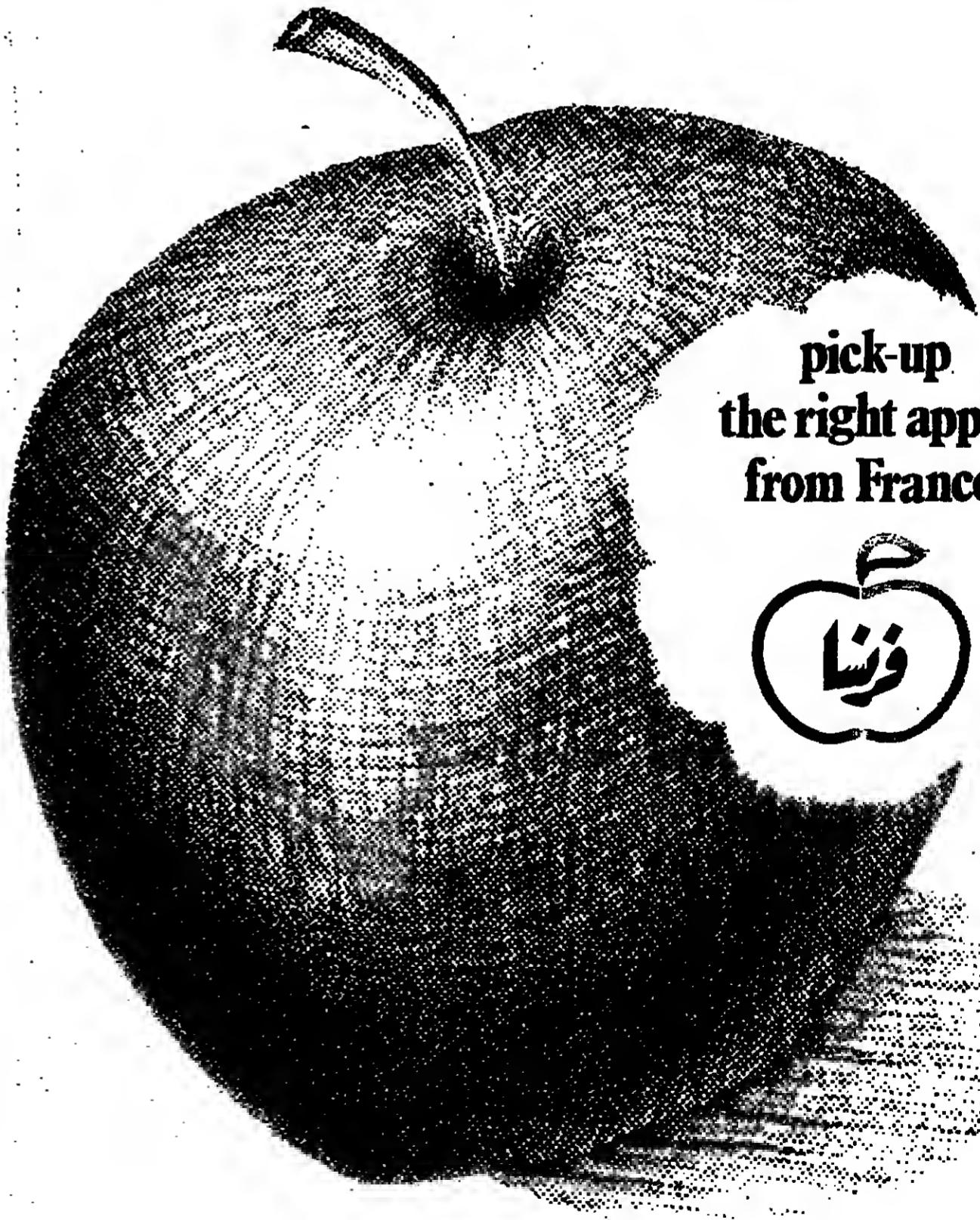
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Egypt grounds the great pyramid climbers

By Nicolas Tistro
CAIRO. — Police have cracked down on an age-old tourist tradition in Egypt, climbing the 4,600-year-old pyramid of Cheops, after two visitors plunged to their deaths within two months.

Six signs have sprung up around the base of the great pyramid warning would-be climbers in English and Arabic that it is forbidden to scale the 137-meter-high tomb of the Pharaoh.

Uniformed police and plain-clothes officers with walkie-talkies patrol the pyramid around the clock to nab would-be climbers. But still they come, and some still slip

through despite the beefed-up patrol.

"We get three or four requests a day to climb the pyramid," said Maj. Muhammad Sharabi of the Tourist Police. "But it is too dangerous and we strictly forbid it."

In the last year, police estimated they have dragged 70 to 80 climbers off the ochre-colored stones and arrested them. Violators, including he guides, face fines of \$150 and two months in jail.

Climbing the pyramid has been illegal since 1951, but the law was rarely enforced until 1973.

Police say that since tourists came back to Egypt in

force following the last Middle East war, their crackdown has been gathering steam.

But police concede it is impossible to stop them all, especially on national holidays when the ancient plateau of Giza is jammed with thousands of visitors and battalions of would-be climbers, both foreign tourists and Egyptian teenagers. On other days, would-be climbers try to sneak past guards in the dead of night or just after sunrise.

Sometimes the warnings are ignored with tragic consequences. Sharabi cited the case of a 16-year-old Austrian university

professor, Richard Gobel, who slipped and fell to his death Nov. 19. "He came to us and we told him it wasn't permitted. Then, 20 minutes later, we found him at the base of the pyramid, dead," he recalled.

On Sept. 9, Stephan Boross, 50-year-old Swiss school teacher, lost his foothold and plunged to his death as a friend looked on. Police recount similar cases but statistics are not available.

Why do they climb?

"I was standing around looking at the pyramid with some friends and we decided to climb up and spend the night. It was something different to do," said one 22-year-old university student.

Half-way up, the student said, "the wind came up and I nearly lost my grip. I don't think I would do it again."

The constant scrambling up the face of the stone walls is also taking a toll on the great pyramid itself. In recent weeks, a one-meter square stone — one of an estimated

2.3 million stones that make up the monument — crashed to the ground.

"It was partly the result of wind erosion and partly because people are climbing on it all the time," the police major said.

Perhaps the greatest living authority on climbing the pyramids is 52-year-old Abdul Nabi Hefnawi, who made a living for 30 years scampering up the rough-hewn blocks to entertain kings, presidents and tourists.

Hefnawi has made it to the top in seven minutes while even the healthiest of amateurs rarely makes it in under 15 minutes.

"It is very dangerous even for me," said Hefnawi. "If you fall, even from five stones high, you will likely be killed."

Hefnawi said more than 200 people had been killed trying to scale the pyramid since he first scrambled to the top at the age of eight. Now, even the champ has been barred from climbing and has been persuaded to take a job as tour guide.

"I never taught my two sons the art even though I Hefnawi. They are in school now," he said.

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Modest, hurried Asiad ends in goalless draw

BANGKOK, Dec. 20 (AP) — It ended without a fight and it ended without a walk-out. It also ended without a score.

North and South Korea shared the most coveted honor of Eighth Asian Games competition, which ended Wednesday, with a draw 0-0 soccer draw between the two archrivals.

It was the first soccer clash between the senior teams of the two countries, who only four years ago at the last Games barely recognized each other's existence on the same playing field.

The soccer match, held as part of the closing ceremonies of Asia's Olympics, resulted in a gold for each of the Koreans but did not affect the overall medal standings.

Japan, having won at every previous Games, again emerged on top with 70 golds, 60 silvers and 47 bronzes, while China was second with 51-53-48. The two Asian sports powers were followed by South

Korea, North Korea, Thailand, India, Indonesia, Pakistan, the Philippines and Iraq.

The north-south struggle brought out some fine individual play but both sides were too cautious, or too exhausted to go all-out for the goal. The game ended in amity, which, nevertheless, had evaporated by the time the medals were awarded.

China took the soccer silver with a 1-0 victory over Iraq.

Thai organizing officials said the Games were the most difficult of the three Thailand has staged because of the short preparation time, a modest budget and the Israeli issue. Thailand deservedly took a bow since there had been real danger the Asian idea would collapse after original host Pakistan backed out for financial reasons.

Japan's 25 gold medals in swimming provided the winning margin. China beat was strong in athletics and gymnastics and dominated table tennis. The Thais were the sprint champs, while India came up with some longer distance runs.

The Arab countries, — Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain were among the six countries not to score—showed they needed more time to develop sports excellence but, at least made the Games possible through providing the bulk of the finance.

But the Israel issue remains unsolved.

Arab competitors will refuse to meet Israelis in any sport involving physical contact, like soccer or fencing at the 1984 Moscow Olympics. Sheikh Fahd Al-Ahmed Al-Sabah, leader of the Kuwait delegation said Wednesday.

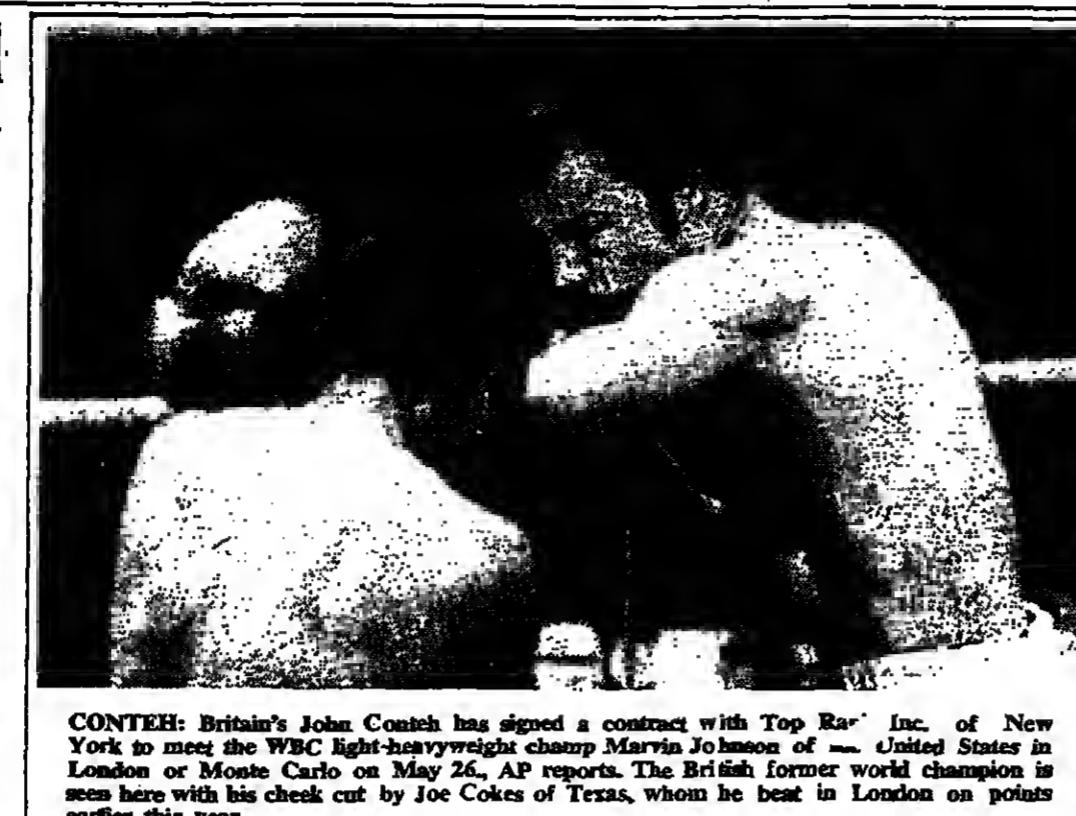
Clobbers Pacers, 130-102

Pearl plays 500th game for Knicks

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (AP) — Earl Monroe played his 500th game in a New York Knicks uniform Tuesday night scoring 18 points in a reserve role as New York clobbered Indiana, 130-102.

He helped the Knicks to a Nov. 10, 1971, in a trade that sent Dave Stallworth and Mike Riordan to Baltimore. He helped the Knicks to a championship in 1973, and when the club fell on hard times the past few years, his magic show made watching basketball at Madison Square Garden an enjoyable experience.

Certainly, winning the 1973 title is my No. 1 mem-



CONTEH: Britain's John Coatch has signed a contract with Top Rank Inc. of New York to meet the WBC light-heavyweight champ Marvin Johnson of the United States in London or Monte Carlo on May 26, AP reports. The British former world champion is seen here with his cheek cut by Joe Cokes of Texas, whom he beat in London on points earlier this year.

England wins 2nd Test

Australia folds before Miller, Lever

PERTH, Dec. 20 (R) — England scored a resounding 166 runs victory over Australia in the second Test here Wednesday.

With two hours to spare on the final day, the Australians had slumped from 141 to 161 all out in their second innings.

Australia started the day at 11 for one needing to score 328 to win and until the sudden collapse to the bowling of left arm paceman John Lever and off-spinner Jeff Miller, they looked as if they would at least save the match.

Lever and Miller each took three wickets in the 46-minutes slump that ended the Aus-

tralian innings in 66 balls and gave England its second win in the six-Test series.

Lever finished with four for 28 from 8.1 overs, ending the match by howling Alan Hurst.

Miller, who finished with three for 21, started the Australian slide by trapping Gary Cosier lbw for 47, ending an 83-run partnership between Cosier and opener Graeme Wood, who made 68 before being given out, caught behind, in an extremely suspect decision.

The ball clearly missed the edge of the bat.

Indira jail riots shut down Test

BANGALORE, India, Dec. 20 (R) — The second Test between India and the West Indies was abandoned as a draw Wednesday as angry mobs roamed the streets of Bangalore demonstrating violently against the jailing of former Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

C.D. Gopinath and Joe Solomon, managers of the Indian and West Indies teams, said there had been no alternative but to follow police advice to abandon the match in the interests of the safety of the players and spectators.

The match had been poised for an exciting finish on the final day Wednesday, with the West Indies 266 runs ahead with eight second innings wickets down. The West Indies had scored 437 and 200 for eight and India made 371 in their first innings.

Police opened fire in the incident here to disperse violent crowds and also used tear gas.

By coincidence earlier in the day the 58-year-old umpire had announced his retirement for Tests and first class umpiring.

The third Test starts in Melbourne on Dec. 29.

Belgian club steals Supercup from freezing Liverpool gloom

LIVERPOOL, England Dec. 20 (UPI) — Liverpool, swept out of the European Cup by Nottingham Forest, slipped again at fog-shrouded Anfield Tuesday night when it lost its grip on the European Super Cup despite beating Anderlecht, 2-1.

The aggregate was 4-3 for Anderlecht which had a 3-1 lead from the first leg and it took only a 71st minute goal from Francois van der Elst to take the trophy.

A frozen pitch and thick fog failed to halt the match though the kickoff was delayed 15-minutes. Anderlecht players wore black tights as protection against the iron-hard surface.

Visibility was poor but good enough for England skipper Emlyn Hughes to snap up a 13th minute chance and raise Liverpool hopes.

Kenny Dalglish beat the off-side trap to send in Jimmy Case for a shot that Jean Munaron could only push away and Hughes, hacking in the team as a result of an injury to Alan Kennedy, was on hand to score.

With players slipping and sliding in and out of fog banks, the game was always a poor spectacle. Steve Ogrizovic, making his first appearance of the season in the Liverpool goal in place of the injured Ray Clemence, excelled with a fine saves as the Belgian team broke dangerously until it drew level through van der Elst after a fine link with Rohby Rensenbrink.

In an exciting finish, Liverpool came again and with just five minutes remaining opened it up with a goal from David Fairclough.

British papers see ban as too harsh on Revie

LONDON, Dec. 20 (R) — "The Sun" newspaper was the most critical. Frank Clough, "The Sun's" soccer writer, said "(The sentence) is savage and out of all proportion to his 'crime'. All he did was seek a new job when it became obvious some of his employers were not too happy with him."

Muller to retire

MUNICH, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Gerd Muller, West Germany's most successful center forward and scorer of the winning goal against Holland in the 1974 World Cup, announced Wednesday he was retiring from first-class soccer at the end of the season. He is 33.

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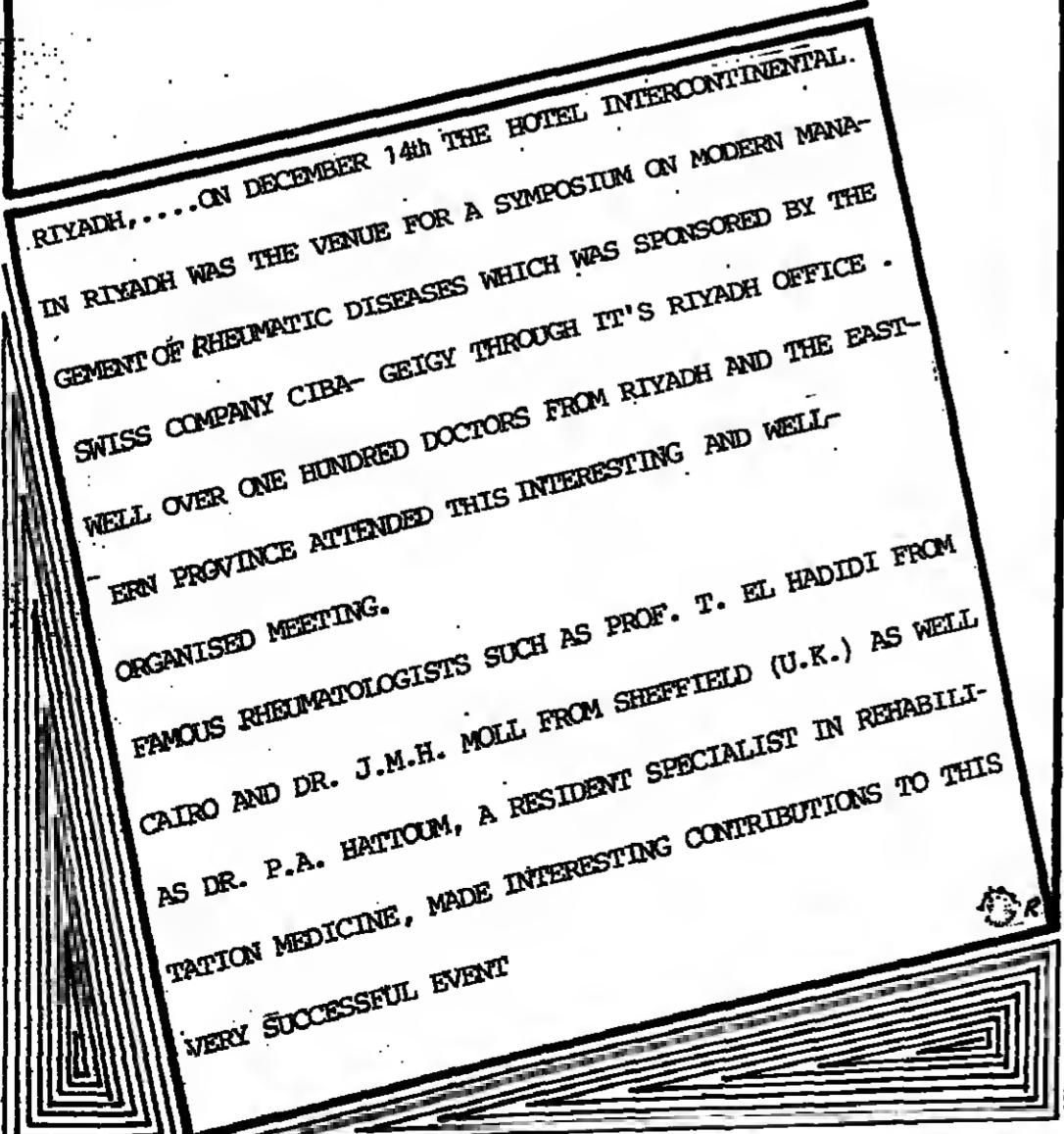
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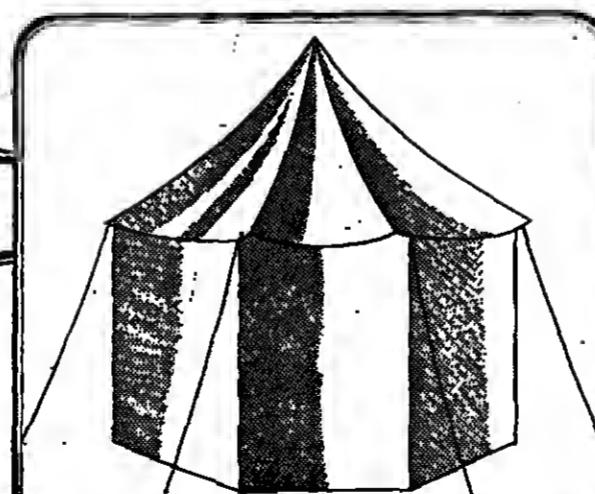
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Carter to send Congress package on world trade

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (AP) — President Carter's administration has decided to send Congress a big "package" of prospective international trade accords about Jan. 1, a spokesman said.

They will include reductions in tariffs among 98 countries to billions of dollars worth of goods, and agreements on dismantling other barriers to trade.

For the first time in the Computer firm to cancel deal with Iran

DALLAS, Dec. 20 (AP) — A Dallas-based company has announced it will cancel a computer service contract with Iran because that government has failed to meet contract payment schedules.

Electronic Data Systems Corp. said it is continuing to discuss the contract with representatives of Iran's Ministry of Health and Social Welfare in an effort to clarify the government's intentions.

history of this kind of negotiation there will also be arrangements for trade in food and other farm products, notably an international agreement on wheat that will set up emergency stocks and try to regulate prices.

Robert Strauss, the president's trade representative, has said that the accords will benefit U.S. farmers, businessmen and consumers. If they have the expected effect of increasing U.S. exports in the long run, they will help stabilize the value of the dollar.

Full accord in the negotiations, which have been going on for more than four years, is expected in the spring. U.S. law requires that the president notify Congress 90 days to advance of his intention to make the agreements.

This period gives congressmen time to study the voluminous accords and see whether businessmen, farmers, labor unions or consumers in their

OPEC lends \$37 million to 7 nations

VIENNA, Dec. 20 (R) — Oil-exporting nations have given seven developing nations loans totaling \$37.55 million to help development projects and reduce balance of payments problems.

The special Fund of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) awarded Kenya, Liberia, Tanzania, Jamaica and the Philippines \$21.1 million for industrial projects.

Moynihan wants OPEC to break up

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (Agencies) — U.S. Senator

Daniel Patrick Moynihan said that President Jimmy Carter should do what he can to destroy OPEC the international group that is raising the world price of oil.

The pro-Israel senator also said the price of oil in the United States should be raised to world levels to lessen U.S. dependence on the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

"I'm sorry if anybody

doesn't like it, but that's the way I feel about it," he said in a year-end news conference in his office.

Moynihan said the Carter administration attitude toward OPEC should be: "How can we break it up? how can we smash it?"

He said the administration should try to make sure that "13 people do not get together in a hotel room in Abu Dhabi and raise the price of the single most important commodity traded in world commerce."

Dollar tumbles

LONDON, Dec. 20 (R) — The dollar has borne the brunt of the currency unrest because America is the world's biggest oil consumer.

The continuing political instability in Iran and the threat this represents to the non-Communist world's vital oil supplies have also contributed to the dollar's weakness in the last few days.

The spectacular decline of the dollar's international value over the past year was one of the main reasons why the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

decided to raise oil prices by a total of 14.5 per cent in 1979, since the dollar is traditionally priced.

But the scare the increase touched off on the world's currency markets about the impact higher oil prices would have on the American economy has, for instance, already shaved 3.5 per cent off the dollar's value against the West German mark since Friday.

A lower dollar cushions importing nations against the higher price of oil, but OPEC has warned that should the dollar continue to depreciate it would raise oil prices again to compensate for the loss of revenue suffered by its 13 members.

BOMBAY, Dec. 20 (AP) — The Indian rupee was devalued by 2.12 per cent against the British pound Wednesday, the Reserve Bank of India reported.

At the new rate, a pound is worth 16.5 rupees, compared to 16.15 rupees earlier.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

	Cost	Transfer
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Pound Sterling	6.76	6.74
Deutsche Mark (100)	181.30	181.75
Swiss F (100)	204.00	204.00
French F (100)	80.00	80.15
Italian Lira (1000)	4.10	4.05
Lebanese Lira (100)	112.00	112.00
Syrian Lira (100)	81.00	85.75
Egyptian Pound	4.50	4.80
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.30	12.25
Jordanian Dinar	11.40	11.32
Emirati Dirham (100)	87.50	86.80
Qatari Riyal (100)	87.50	86.80
Bahraini Dinar	46.00	46.50
Iranian Riyal (100)	9.85	—
Iraqi Dinar	74.00	73.30
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	—
South Yemeni Dinar	79.00	86.25
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	41.15
Indian Rupee (100)	23.500	33.85
Pakistani Rupee (100)	2,730	—
Gold kg	665	—
10 Tolas bar	—	—
Silver kg bar	—	—

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Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR 1500	Closing Date Jan. 9
• Municipality of Anak	Temporary asphalting in the second phase of project No. 5.6/68D/11	xx	3000	Jan. 9
• " "	Dumping of swamps in the second phase of project No. 7.10/68D/11	xx	350	Jan. 10
• " "	Construction of lavatory under project No. 8/68D/11	xx	600	Jan. 10
• " "	Building of a meat and vegetable market of 12 shops under project No. 2/68D/11	xx	2000	Jan. 10
• " "	Fencing of graveyards and building of washhouse for the dead under project No. 4/68D/11	xx	—	—



PORTS AUTHORITY

JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORT

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF
20TH DECEMBER 1978

1-VESSELS DISCHARGING BERTH VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR.DATE
1A —	—	—	—
1B —	—	—	—
3 SAMIR ANNOUNA TSIRIS	ABU HASHISH O.C.E.	BRICKS REEFER	18.12.1978
3 HUNTER	KANOOG	GENERAL	18.12.1978
4 PRIGNITZ TITI 'B'	SHOBOKSHI FAYEZ	STEEL SHEETS GEN. COFFEE HORSE BEANS	19.12.1978
8 AMAL	BAABOUD	OIL GENERAL	17.12.1978
10 HAJI MAHMOOD	EL HAWI	TIMBER RICE & GENERAL	20.12.1978
11 WINONA	ALSAADA	REEFER GENERAL	13.12.1978
12 GRIGORIOS V IV	ALPHA	BAGS CEMENT	17.12.1978
13 MARKOS	BAKOM	DURRA	16.12.1978
14 GOLF DE TADOURAH STALO 2	BAABOUD	BAGGED CEMENT	29.11.1978
15 —	—	—	—
16 —	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	21.11.1978
17 ACHILLEUS	—	BANANAS	16.12.1978
19 PEKARI DIAVOLEZZA	M.E.S.A. BARBER	TIMBER	20.12.1978
21 —	S.A.M.A.	ACCOMMODATION SHIP	—
22 FILIPINAS SAUDI I	—	STEEL	18.12.1978
35 NAWEZA	ROLACO	TIMBER GENERAL	14.12.1978
38 ARIS SANSTEFANO	ALPHA STAR NAV.	FRUITS	13.12.1978
41 FUZLAAN ZEBEDELA	SEA STAR NAV.	RAGGED CEMENT FRUITS	15.12.1978
44 —	—	—	15.12.1978
RO RO NIL	—	—	—
Vessels Working at Anchorage NIL	—	—	—
2-Recent Arrivals	—	—	—
KHALI STAR NAWEZA PITTSBURGH DIAVOLEZZA HAJI MAHMOUD	S.A.M.A. ROLACO REZAYAT BARBER EL HAWI	CHICKENS STEEL CONTAINERS TIMBER TIMBER	19.12.1978 19.12.1978 19.12.1978 19.12.1978 19.12.1978

3-Vessels Expected Within 24 Hours

HOLCOR I JADE BAY	ORRI S.EASIA	TIMBER GENERAL	ARR.DATE
—	—	—	20.12.1978

4-TONNAGES DISCHARGED (Freight tons) : 31,470

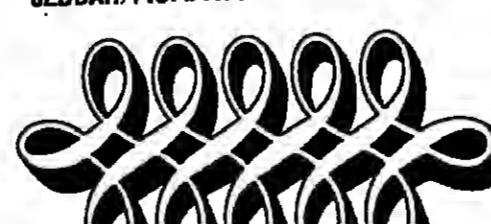
WAITING TIME: NIL

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KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT DAMMAM

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF

CHANGES PAST 24 HRS.

DATE: 20.12.1978

TIME: 0700 HRS.

TONNAGE DISCHARGED: 54,350

WAITING TIME: NIL

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SHARE INFORMATION

NEW YORK

Stock	Dec.	Dec.	Fairchild Camera	28%	Pacific Gas	22%	Pacific Lighting	21%	Akai Trading	17%	Closing	Closing
Stock	15	14	Fed. Dep. Statis.	22	Pacific Power	21%	Pac. Pow. & Light	20%	Akai Elec. Chem.	17%	Dec. 14	Price Prev.
Stock	16	15	Firestone Tire	120	Pan Am	20%	Parker Hannifin	25%	Akai Glass	17%	Dec. 15	Price Prev.
Stock	17	16	Fiat	27	Pan Am	20%	Parkers Int'l.	21%	Akai Glass	17%	Dec. 15	Price Prev.
Stock	18	17	Fiat	24	Pan Am	20%	Parkers Int'l.	21%	Akai Glass	17%	Dec. 15	Price Prev.
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Stock	22	21	Fiat	20	Pan Am	20%	Parkers Int'l.	21%	Akai Glass	17%	Dec. 15	Price Prev.
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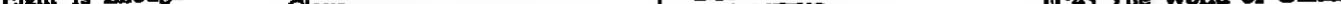
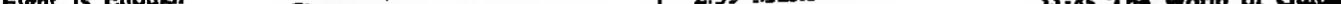
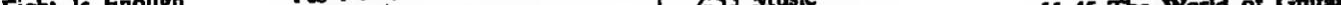
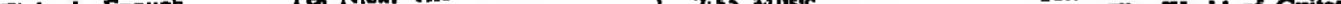
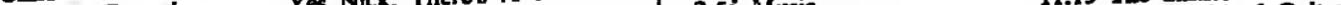
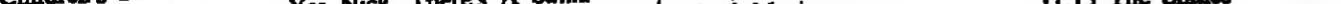
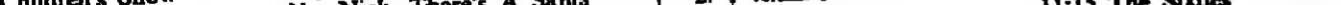
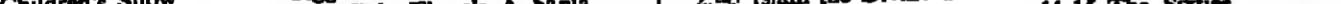
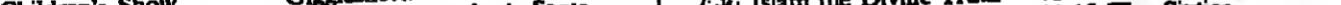
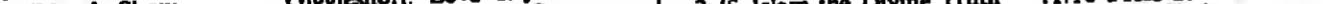
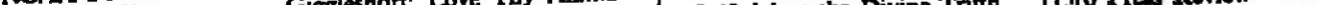
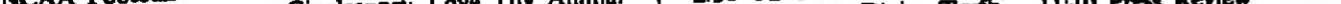
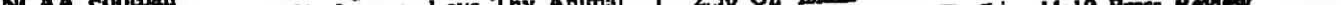
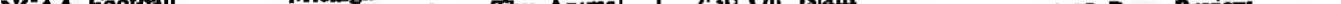
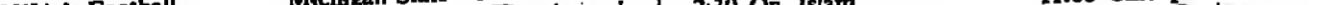
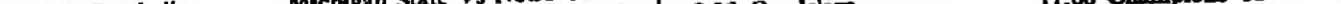
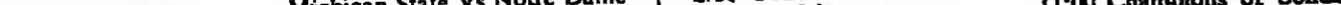
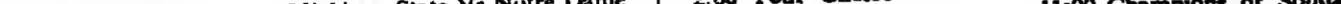
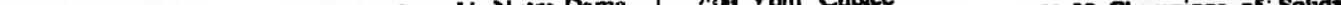
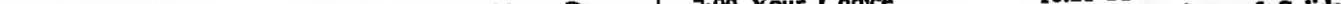
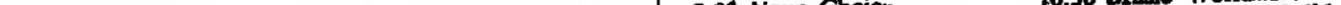
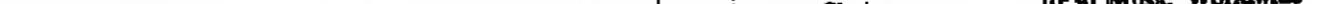
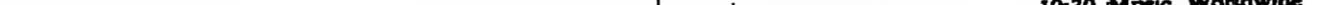
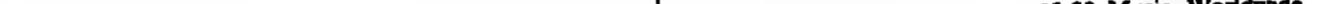
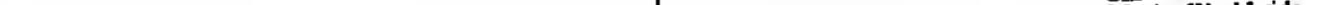
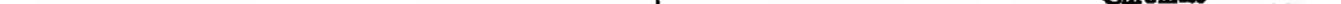
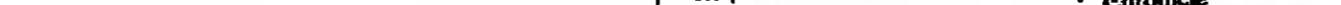
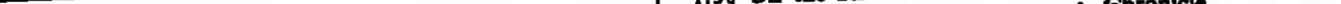
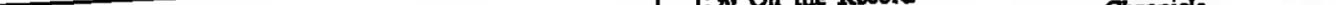
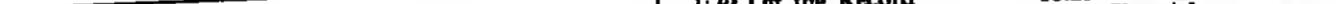
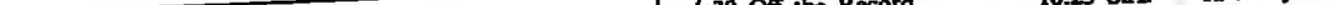
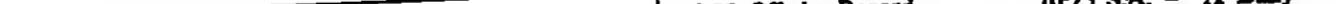
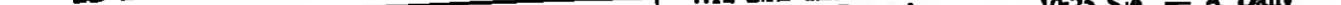
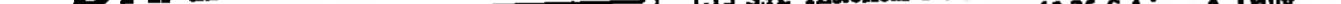
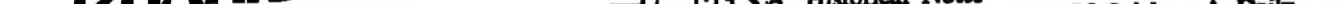
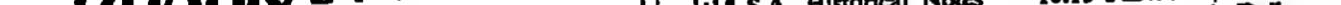
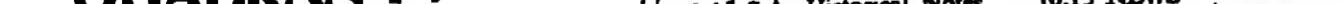
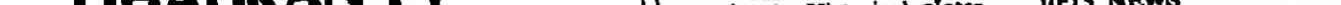
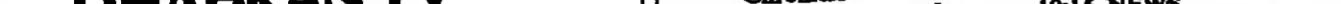
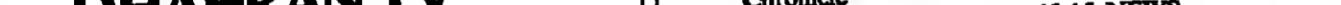
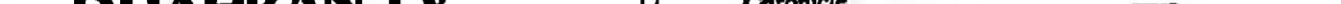
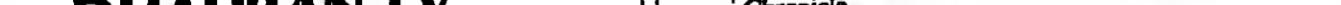
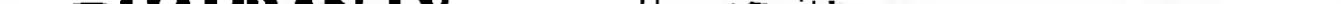
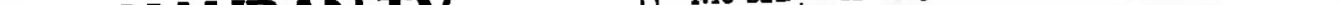
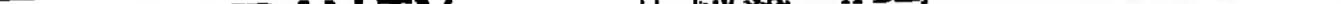
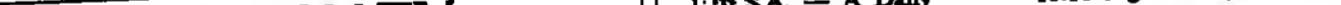
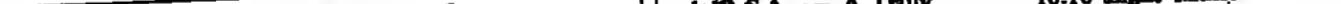
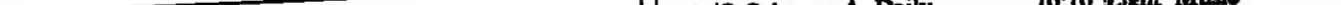
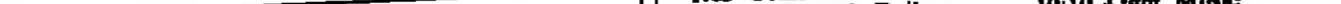
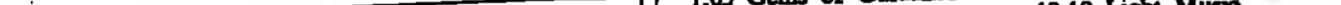
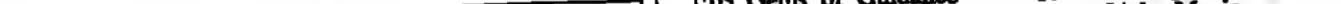
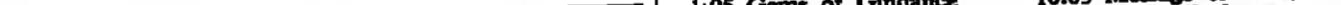
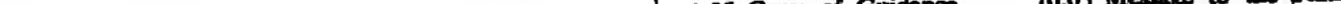
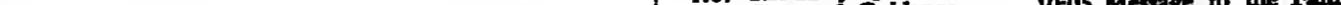
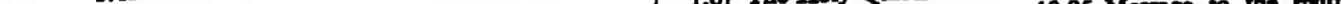
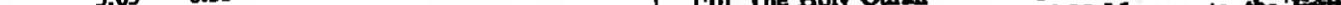
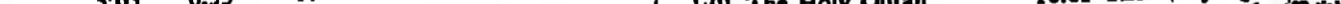
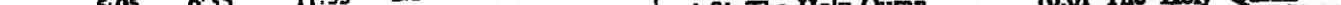
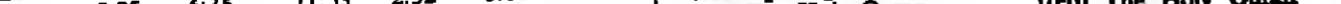
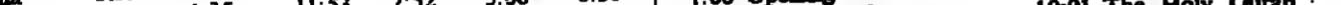
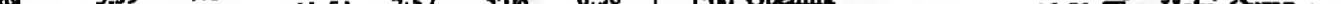
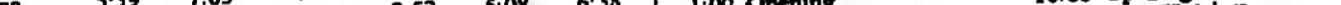
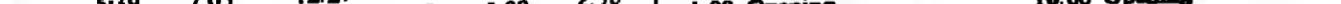
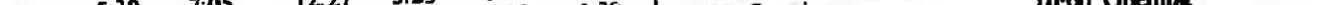
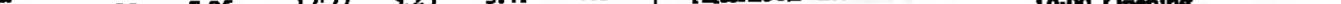
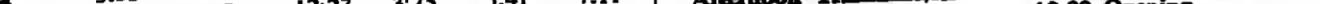
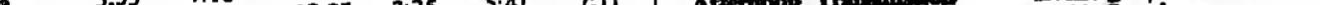
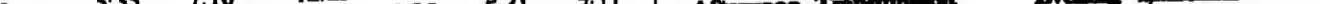
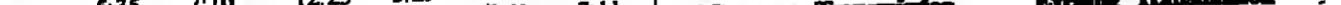
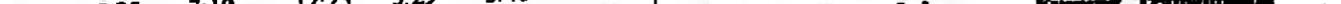
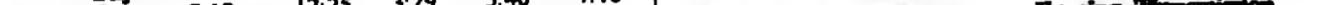
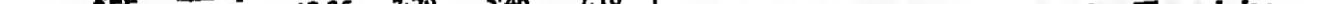
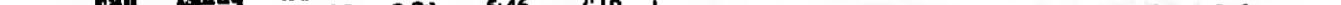
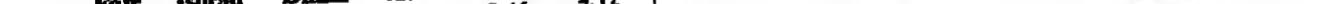
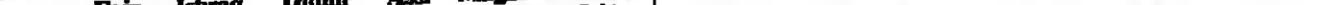
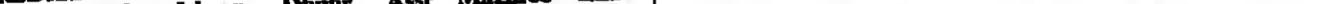
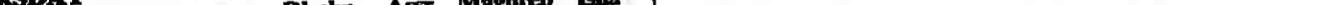
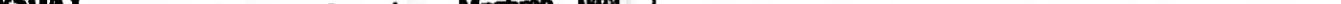
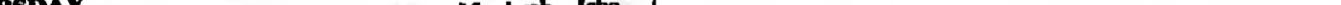
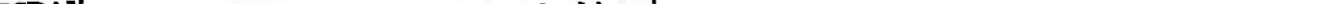
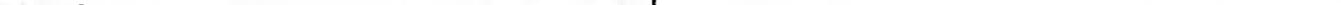
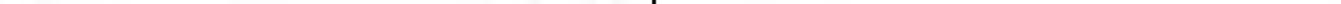
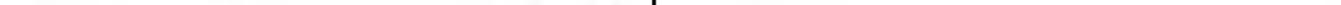
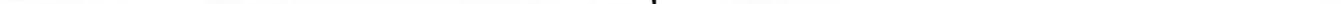
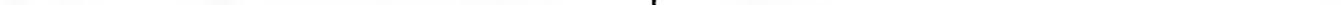
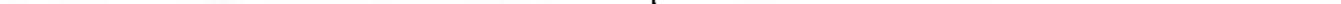
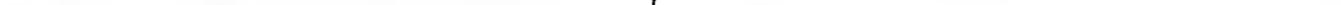
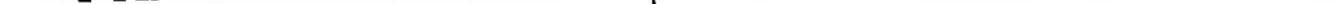
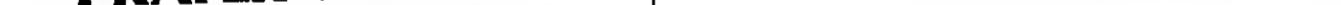
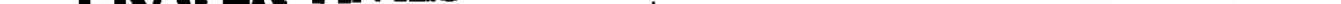
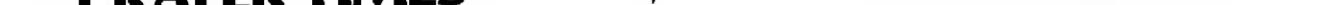
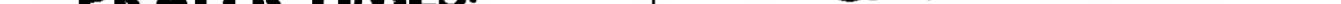
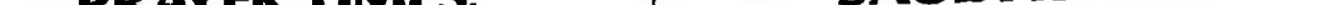
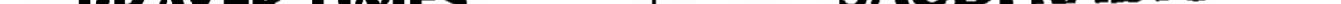
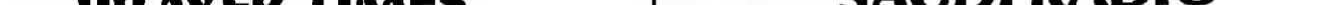
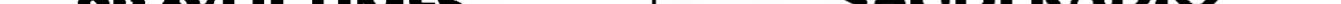
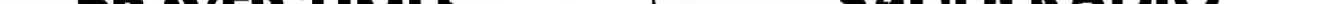
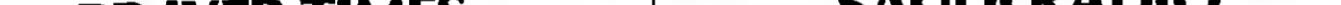
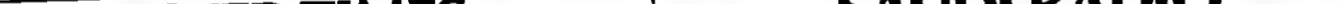
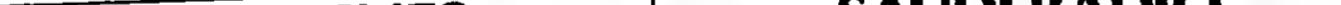
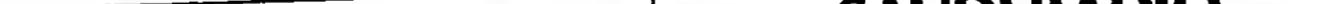
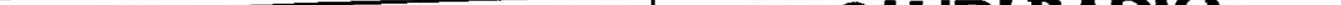
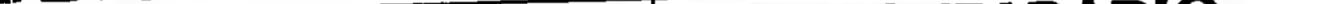
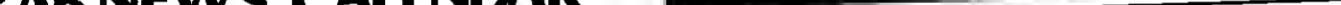
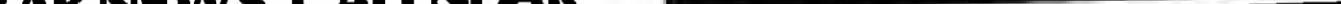
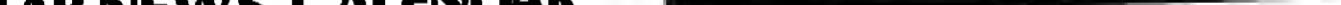
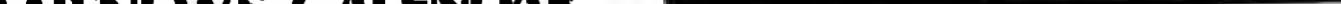
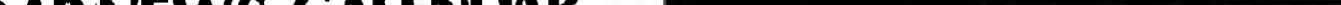
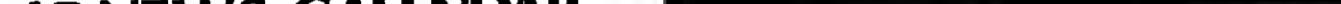
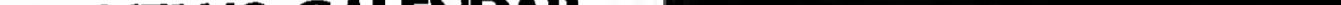
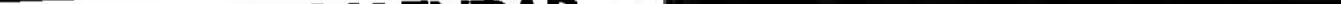
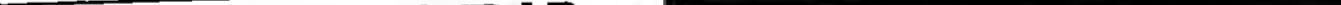
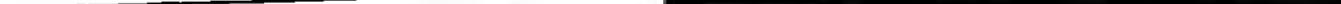
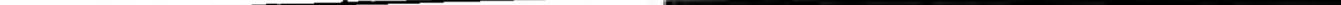
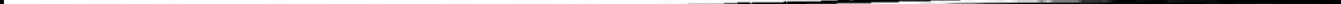
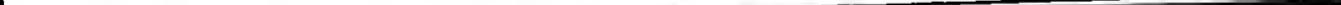
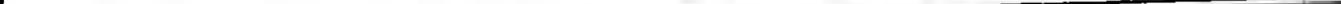
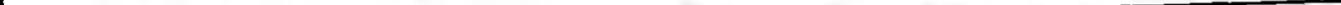
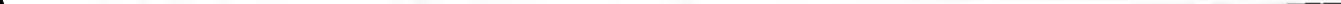
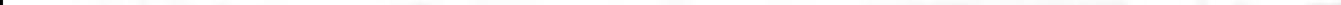
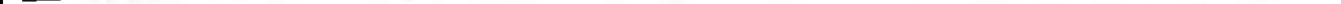
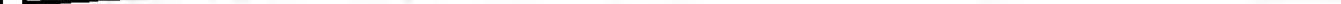
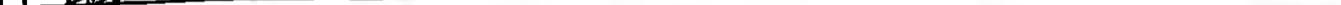
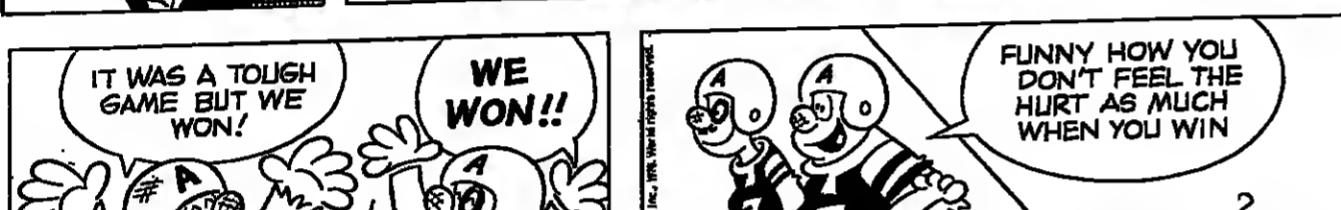
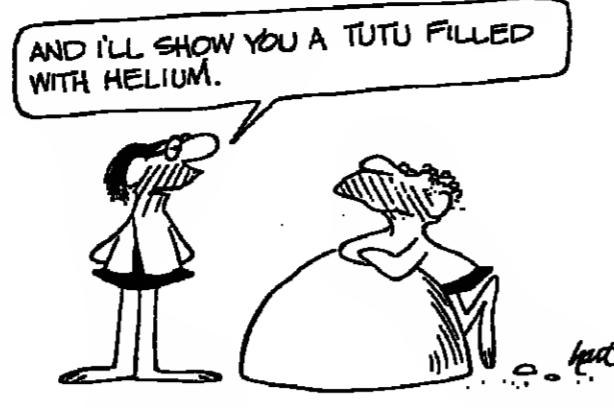
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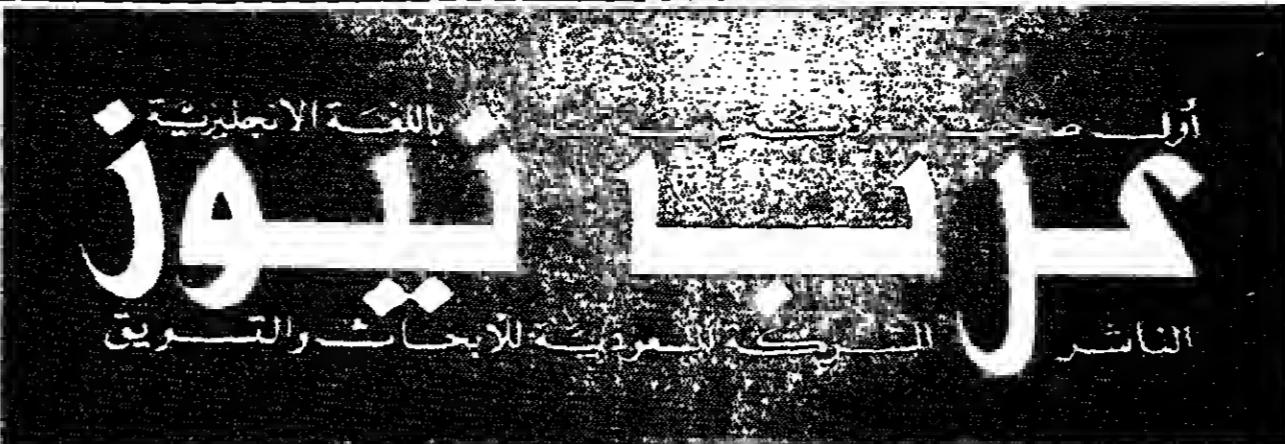
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Late News

Old opponent seen as Shah's pick for new civilian prime minister

TEHRAN, Dec. 20 (AP) — Dr. Gholam Hussein Sadiqi, a veteran 73-year-old politician and university lecturer, has emerged as frontrunner in a bid by the Shah to find a prime minister to head a new civilian government, informed sources reported Wednesday.

The sources said Sadiqi has accepted an offer of the premiership after the Shah agreed to a number of political con-

ditions set by the former cabinet minister, who now is a sociology and philosophy professor at Tehran University.

The sources declined to specify what these conditions are. But they said the 59-year-old monarch, fighting for his throne amid widespread opposition to his one-man rule, has given Sadiqi two weeks to patch together a civilian government.

It would then take over

from Gen. Gholam-Reza Azhari's military-led regime, appointed by the Shah Nov. 6 to restore order amid swelling violence. The Shah has been searching for a civilian leader acceptable to the opposition to replace Azhari.

Despite the optimism expressed in circles close to the Shah that a political solution to Iran's turmoil may be in sight, there was still considerable scepticism in many quarters that Sadiqi could pull it all together.

Meanwhile, informed sources also reported that three more persons were killed Wednesday as Iran's bloodletting continued.

The sources said two agents of SAVAK, the Shah's hated secret police, were cubbed to death by a mob of the Shah's opponents in Tehran's sprawling bazaar.

One of the agents shot one of the mob before he was beaten to the ground, the sources added.

Troops sealed off part of the six-kilometer-square bazaar, heart of the capital's commercial life, and sporadic firing was heard throughout the day as soldiers shot in the air to disperse groups of demonstrators.

Also Wednesday, a Belfast-Dublin express train slammed into the back of a train sitting at a station in Lishura, Northern Ireland, 16 km southwest of Belfast, killing the driver and slightly injuring seven others.

In the Brighton crash, railway officials said the London-to-Littlehampton train sped past a signal at Clayton tunnel, one kilometer earlier, than should have been showing red for stop.

Investigators Wednesday tried to determine if the signal tripped properly when the train passed.

Officials had signaled the standing train — a London-to-Brighton run — to stop at the bridge while police pulled an elderly woman who had fallen off the platform at Brighton free of the tracks.

8,000 homeless in Arizona flooding

TUCSON, Ariz. Dec. 20 (R) — Floodwaters caused by heavy rain swept through parts of Arizona Wednesday leaving 8,000 people homeless and six people missing and presumed dead, state police reported.

One of the worst hit towns was Duncan near the New Mexico border, where police said river dyke burst, sending muddy water rushing through the streets and forcing the 1,000 residents out of their homes.

The rain started on Sunday

MASHHAD: Iranian tanks with crews wearing gas masks move into a crowd of demonstrators outside the house of Ayatollah Shirazi Sunday. Mashhad has been the scene of bloody clashes for the past week.

On Benares tarmac

Plane hijacked to free Indira

NEW DELHI, Dec. 20 (AP)

— Two armed hijackers, demanding that former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi be released from jail, commandeered an Indian Airlines domestic jet Wednesday and forced it to land at Varanasi (Benares), 600 kilometers southeast of here, airline officials said.

After the landing, one of the 126 passengers escaped through a rear exit and ran to the control tower, they said.

Mrs. Gandhi was imprisoned Tuesday night, touching off a nationwide campaign of protests and violence by her supporters.

An Indian Airlines official

said the gunmen, armed with a pistol and hand grenade, demanded the release of Mrs. Gandhi and a news conference to be organized by a state leader and attended by Prime Minister Moraji Desai, who moved the resolution in parliament against Mrs. Gandhi.

The airline identified the hijackers as D.N. Pandey and B.N. Pandey, both apparently Indian nationals.

Shortly after takeoff from Lucknow, capital of Uttar Pradesh state, the plane's captain radioed that trouble had broken out aboard the Boeing 737.

"A passenger got violent in the aircraft and made his way into the cockpit," the captain said.

The man ordered the plane to fly toward Patna, about 500 kilometers to the southeast, then redirected it to Varanasi.

The airline said all aboard the jet, which had a crew of six, were safe when it landed at Varanasi. Soon afterward, a passenger named S.K. Modi slipped out of the plane's rear exit and dashed to the control tower where he provided details on the hijacking, officials said.

ROME, Dec. 20 (UPI) — Anti-terrorist police ramifications and arrested terrorist suspects in Bologna Wednesday in an effort to halt Italy's bloodiest terror wave since the abduction and killing of former Premier Aldo Moro.

Police sources said Cambini (special police) units led by commanding Gen. Alberto Della Chiesa raided print shop and an apartment allegedly used to plan the attacks.

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The Wafa official said Palestinian commando and Lebanese nationalists in Sarafand returned the fire.

Western and Arab analysts in the Lebanese capital linked the Israeli strike to the stalemate that has developed in Egyptian-Israeli peace talks.

The broadcast said palls of smoke billowed from the air stricken areas as Israeli gunboats cruised at a close offshore distance opposite Tyre.

Aba Al-Khail arrives in Dacca

DACCA, Dec. 19 (R) — Saudi Arabia's finance and National Economy Minister, Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail, arrived in Dacca Wednesday at the head of an economic delegation for a three-day visit to Bangladesh.

The five-member delegation will start talks with Bangladesh officials Thursday.

Though neither side has disclosed what will be discussed it is believed they will sign an economic cooperation agreement under which Saudi Arabia will give financial aid to Bangladesh.

The Kingdom has given aid worth \$350 million to Bangladesh which has the world's largest Muslim population after Indonesia.

At the airport where Bangladesh Finance Minister Dr. Mirza Nurul Huda welcomed the delegation Sheikh Muhammad told reporters: "Relations between Riyadh and Dacca have been growing satisfactorily for the last few years."

Saudi development aide in Syria

RIYADH, Dec. 20 (SPA) — Dr. Khaled Al-Masoud, deputy head of the Saudi Development Fund flew to Damascus Wednesday for talks with Syrian officials on SDF funding for Syrian projects.

Jubail desalinators to get homes

JEDDAH, Dec. 20 — The Water Desalination General Authority will build 2,200 apartments for engineers and technicians now working at the desalination plant in Jubail, "Okaz" newspaper reported Wednesday. A site for the biggest-ever project of its kind undertaken by the authority has been selected near the plant. The project will be commissioned shortly and is expected to take four years, when the desalination plant will also be complete.

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Fahd

Abdullah hosted a luncheon party in honor of the crown prince, attended by Prince Mish'el, Prince Sultan, minister of defense and aviation, members of the royal family, army commanders and senior civil and military officers.

The crown prince later saw some fencing exhibitions in the afternoon and alive ammunition exercise by the division's personnel in the evening.

At the evening exercise Prince Fahd said he was proud of the high standard of King Khaled.

military training that the National Guard has reached.

He said he hoped that the same standard will be achieved by all members of the armed forces so that they may serve Islam and their country under the leadership of King Khaled.

Bourgholieh, the Bourj Shimali camp and Abu al Aswad (all areas just east and north of Tyre)," he said.

These areas were subjected to barbaric shelling by enemy planes. At the same time, gunboats of the enemy simultaneously shelled the Sarafand area with heavy artillery and rockets."

"Now that Camp David is on the rocks," said one Arab analyst, "Israel will feel freer

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